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WAGE REDUCTION ANNOUNCED BY H. C. FRICK COKE COMPANY.

Effective Today There Will Be a General Cut in Mining and Coke Manufacturing Pay for All Workmen.

CUT AVERAGES 12 1-2 PER CENT

Made Necessary by Slump in the Trade and Bad Market Conditions, and Old Wage Will Probably Be Restored as Quickly as Conditions Warrant—Chargers Cut Quarter of a Cent.

Effective today the H. C. Frick Coke Company, employing upwards of 10,000 men when times are good, announced a wage reduction of all classes of workmen employed in the mines and at the coke plants throughout the two Connellsville coke fields. This reduction averages 12½ per cent, things as in former years of advances and reductions be cut in wages varies among the different classes of workmen. The reduction came as a surprise to many unfamiliar with coke conditions, and prices, and although it was evident that the company endeavored to prevent a reduction in wages to the last, it found it necessary to do so, comparing the low prices obtaining for coke and the extraordinarily high wage paid to workmen. The company has at all times preserved a policy of readjustment, giving the workmen the advantages of a good market by increasing their wages and the reductions have never been greater than the advances granted voluntarily. The coke trade and the future business does not now warrant the high prices formulated by the March 1, 1907, scale, and with the business nothing done it could not possibly hold.

The scale made in March of last year was, however, based upon [illegible] from the trade. There was great demand for coke and the shortage was really responsible for the fancy prices offered workmen. When this scale was announced the company many independent operators were opposed to it but found in order to secure workmen they must pay it. On December last year, a number of these independent operators found that the scale was too burdensome to carry out, and they announced a wage reduction regardless of big corporation's policy. These reductions at the independent plants continued throughout December and many of them average up to 15 per cent. The 1907 scale of wages was the highest ever paid to workmen in the Connellsville region and was an advance over the record scale of 1903.

Taking into consideration the reduction the average workman can make, namely, $3 a day in mining, it is believed that the reduction will result in a readjustment of coke and steel conditions, and business will quickly revive with coke selling with less exorbitant profits on the markets. There is evidence of life in the coke trade, and under these conditions it is believed that the market will become firm and active.

[illegible] Kennedy, President of the Coke Producers Association of Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny counties, stated that the forty independent companies in the Association, or those who have not yet announced a wage scale, will post notices today or tomorrow that the new Frick scale will be effective at their plants from today.

The scale of wages announced today is as follows:

Mining and loading room and rib coal, per 100 bu	$1.20
Mining and loading heading coal, per 100 bu	1.38
Mining and loading wet heading coal, per 100 bu	1.50
Drawing coke, per 100 bu. charged (the above by same measurement as at present)	.70
Drivers and rope riders (shafts and slopes) per full run	2.40
Drivers and rope riders (drifts) per full run	2.30
Gangers, per full run	2.40
Tracklayers, blasters and timbermen (shafts and slopes) per day	2.40
Tracklayers, blasters and timbermen (drifts) per day	2.30
Assistant tracklayers and inside laborers, per day	1.75
Dumpers and tipplemen, per full run	1.80
Loaders, per day	1.70
Trappers, per day	1.60
Chargers, per oven	11¼
Chargers, per oven	04½
Chargers, per day	1.85
Forking cars, 40,000 lbs. capacity and less	1.50
Forking cars, 50,000 lbs. and 60,000 lbs. capacity	1.60
Forking cars, over 60,000 lbs. capacity	1.75

The prices for all other labor, regularly employed in the operation of the plants, will be proportionate with the above.

The March, 1907, scale was as follows:

Mining and loading room and rib coal, per 100 bushels, $1.25; mining and loading heading coal, per 100 bushels, $1.37; mining and loading wet heading coal, per 100 bushels, $1.45; drawing coke, per 100 bushels charged, 70c; all the above by same measurement as at present; drivers and rope riders, shafts and slopes, per full run, $2.40; drivers and rope riders, drifts, per full run, $2.30; gangers, per full run, $2.40; tracklayers, blasters and timbermen, shafts and slopes, per day, $2.40; tracklayers, blasters and timbermen, drifts per day, $2.30; assistant tracklayers and inside laborers, per day, $1.75; dumpers and tipplemen, per full run, $1.80; teamsters, per day, $1.70; carters, per day, $1.60; leveling, per oven, 11½ cents, chargers, per oven, 4½ cents; chargers, per day, $1.85; forking cars, 40,000 pounds capacity and less, $1.50; forking cars, 50,000 pounds and 60,000 pounds capacity, $1.60; forking cars over 60,000 pounds capacity, $1.75.

This was an advance of about 6 per cent. over the previous scale of wages.

The record scale for 1903 was as follows:

Mining and loading room and rib coal, 100 bushels, $1.35; mining and loading heading coal, per 100 bushels, $1.50; mining and loading wet heading coal, per 100 bushels, $1.55; drawing coke, per 100 bushels, 77 cents; drivers and rope riders, shafts and slopes, per full run, $2.50 per day; drivers and rope riders, drifts, per full run, $2.40 per day; gangers, per full run, $2.50 per day; tracklayers, blasters and timber men, shafts and slopes, per day, $2.50; tracklayers, blasters and timber men, drifts, per day, $2.50; leveling, per oven, 12¾ cents. All laboring men receiving $2 and over per day were to be increased 15 cents; all receiving $2 per day and less were to receive an increase of 10 cents per day.

The first of these voluntary increases was announced March 15, 1895, just after the long and disastrous strike. A 10 per cent. advance was granted, effective April 1, 1895. Another advance in prices averaging 6 per cent. was granted in the same year. The price of coke was then soaring. In January, 1896, an advance of between 10 and 15 per cent. was made. It was in the nature of a Christmas gift, announcement having been made the day before Christmas.

In May, 1899, an advance was made which amounted to 7½ per cent. On March 1, 1900, another scale went into effect, raising wages 12½ per cent. There was a heavy advance in 1903, but conditions became so bad in the trade that a reduction finally followed. This scale stood throughout 1904 and in 1905 the scale was readjusted, the rate of wages noted elsewhere, becoming effective.

Appraisement for Federal Site Is Made by Rockwell Marietta.

Appointed by United States District Attorney Dunkle and Names $16,000 for Wallace Lots and $12,000 for Newmyer Lots as Fair Consideration.

Another important step was taken yesterday for the purchase of a site for Connellsville's proposed Federal building. Rockwell Marietta, who several days ago accepted the appointment as appraiser on the valuation of the two lots that have been recommended by government officials as a site for the new postoffice building, placed a valuation on the lot of Mrs. Katherine Wallace of $16,000 and $12,000 on the lot of Mrs. Mary D. Newmyer.

Mr. Marietta's name was one of 12 forwarded some time ago to United States District Attorney John W. Dunkle of Pittsburg. District Attorney Dunkle on December 20 requested Mr. Marietta to act as appraiser on the lots of Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Newmyer, located at the corner of Apple and Arch streets. The Government is to acquire by purchase or condemnation proceedings those two lots. Before entering condemnation proceedings, and to avoid the same, if possible, the government wishes to make an offer of the fair value to each of the owners of the lots and in order to intelligently make this proposition they first have the properties valued by some person familiar with real estate values in Connellsville. The person appraising the property agrees to testify as to his valuation before the viewers.

If the owners of the lots accept the offer of the government the appointment and work of the viewers will be simplified and the work of securing the building for Connellsville will be greatly facilitated and hastened. Congressman A. F. Cooper is anxious to push the matter of an increase to the $250,000 appropriation made by the last Congress for a Federal building site in Connellsville. The government may, if it sees fit, increase the valuation named for the properties by Mr. Marietta. The latter's figures, however, are generally conceded by real estate men and persons familiar with values in Connellsville to be very fair.

LOSES MONEY AND HORSE.

Beatty Deals With Traders Who Kindly Leave His Clothes.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—William Beatty informed the police yesterday that he had been victimized by two horse traders, who said they were James and Andrew Fisher, brothers.

Beatty says he traded a valuable horse to the Fisher brothers for one they had, giving a small sum of money besides. He says that while he was securing a vehicle to try his new horse the traders disappeared with both animals.

SPECIAL OFFICER

Is Asked to Guard Brownsville Home of R. Fredlani, Threatened by Black Hand.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—Appeals have been made to District Attorney Henderson, County Detective McBeth and other county officials for a special officer in Brownsville for the purpose of guarding the home of R. Fredlani against subsequent attacks on the part of alleged Black Hand members.

Since the attempt was made last week to blow up the home both Fredlani and his wife have been living in mortal terror. They sit up nearly all night long, fearing another attack under cover of darkness.

County Detective McBeth is looking for a suitable man for the place and as soon as he can be found, the family will be given protection.

SNEAK THIEVES

Break Into Two Houses at Mt. Pleasant and Loot Small Bank of $20.

MT. PLEASANT, Jan. 1.—(Special) The home of Frank Pfeiffer on the corner of Depot and Smithfield streets was looted by burglars between 2 and 5 o'clock yesterday morning, entrance having been effected through a back window. The robbers secured nothing but a small safe put out by a local banking institution, containing between $20 and $30 in small change. The lower part of the house was thoroughly ransacked, but the marauders did not venture on the second floor.

Robbers also gained entrance to the home of J. M. Myers on Cherry avenue. Nothing was taken except some food and fancy dishes, which had been allowed to stand on the kitchen table.

HELD FOR COURT.

Are Dunbar Italians for Carrying Concealed Weapons.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—Squire W. H. Cottom of Dunbar this morning held a hearing in the county jail for Frank Zlapana and Domenic Calusin, arrested yesterday by Officer Stull for carrying concealed weapons.

The men were held for court. Each was armed when arrested with an immense knife.

New Year Welcomed in With Bedlam of Noise.

The usual scenes were enacted at midnight when old 1907 gave way to the husky youngster, 1908. Where the old year goes to or from whence the new one comes caused no curiosity or bother. Those out at the time were too busy celebrating to be troubled by such serious matters.

Whistles blew and bells rang, guns were fired and tin horns added to the discord. Just at what hour the new year arrived depended entirely upon the clock nearest at hand. Some of the whistles started fully 15 minutes too soon, while others, more conservative, waited that long after midnight, to be sure.

The Tenth Regiment Band was out in its glory and serenaded the various hotels. The "snake dance" was tried, but failed for lack of organization to direct it.

Hundreds of young folks were out having the time of their sweet young lives, while as many of the older ones laid in bed and swore softly because the din interfered with the reign of Morpheus.

FAMILY TROUBLES GET AN AIRING.

George W. Barber Fined by Burgess for Making Trouble at Home.

THREE GIRLS ARE PINCHED.

Principals in the Late North Alley Raid Again Appear in Police Court and Others May Be Implicated. Common Drunks Sentenced.

After a week of quiet in police circles, matters loosened up this morning, and the new year was ushered in with a large collection of offenders who appeared before Burgess Solsson for sentence. Family troubles, disorderly houses and common drunks figured in the line-up.

The star prisoner was George W. Barber of Highland avenue, arrested early this morning on complaint of Mrs. W. D. Frantz, his step daughter, for raising a disturbance at home and thrusting his step daughter out into the cold, cold air, scantily clad. Barber denied all the allegations, but Mrs. W. D. Frantz, the step daughter, told her tale and the Burgess was convinced that all was not well in the Barber home.

It appears, according to Mrs. Frantz, that at an early hour this morning Mrs. Frantz was awakened by a disturbance down stairs. Barber was yelling and singing, so she said. Then when Mrs. Barber came down, it is alleged, the conversation that followed was neither gentle or quiet on Barber's part. Barber had been drinking, according to Mrs. Frantz's statement.

Barber denied the allegations in toto. He and his wife were "fooling," he said, and he did not hit her, nor did he hit or curse his step daughter, as she maintained.

Although Mrs. Frantz said she was pushed out of the house in her bare feet and night gown, and had to walk a square in this condition to telephone for the officers, Barber denied it all.

Burgess Solsson wouldn't take into consideration Barber's claim of boarding the water wagon for a year and fined him $15 with the alternative of five days to the bastile.

Ella Burns, Lizzie Earhart and Mollie Austin, the stellar figures in a recent disorderly house case, welcomed the glad New Year by being pinched by Officer Howard Anderson this morning. It is likely that other arrests will follow. Anderson was called to Highland avenue by Louis Earhart, Lizzie's husband, and John Gannon, who said the girls had been raising a big disturbance. After the girls were placed in the bastile, Louis relented and sought to withdraw his charges. The girls were given a hearing and it developed that the disorder was between Buz Burns, Ella's husband, and Earhart, who were playing hide and seek armed with butcher knives. On the strength of other complaints, the girls were fined $15 each.

Clyde Taylor, a negro boy living on the Pinnacle, was disorderly at the Solsson Theatre last evening and landed in the coop. He denied the allegation, but Officer Anderson's evidence was conclusive. Clyde was fined $5.00, with the alternative of 72 hours in the coop.

Several common drunks were arrested and fined the usual amount.

Motor Boat Show in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—A national motor boat and engine show opened today in the Coliseum with nearly every available foot of space in the big building filled with attractive exhibits.

HUNTER FUNERAL.

Many Friends of Deceased Attended Services Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of the late Mrs. S. Inoy A. Hunter took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late residence on East Fairview avenue. Rev. W. A. Edie, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiated. The services were impressive. They were attended by many friends of the deceased.

The pall bearers were J. T. Johnston, W. S. Schenck, Dr. G. W. Newcomer, D. P. Patterson, L. L. West and L. W. Wolfe. Interment was private in Hill Grove Cemetery.

SENDS GREETINGS.

Retiring General Manager of B. & O. Wishes Officers and Employes A Happy New Year.

New Year's greetings to the officers and employes of the Baltimore & Ohio system were issued this morning by Thomas Fitzgerald, retiring General Manager of the road. It read as follows:

I wish you a happy and prosperous New Year and I hope the Lord will bless you all.

(Signed) T. FITZGERALD,
Retiring General Manager.

Mr. Fitzgerald was very popular with the rank and file of the railroad army and each one views his retirement with exceeding regret. It may be assured that each of them heartily hopes the New Year will be pleasant and prosperous for him.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

President W. S. Schenck Does Not Aspire to Re-election on the School Board.

In a statement issued to The Courier this morning President W. S. Schenck says he will not be a candidate to succeed himself as a Director representing the Fourth Ward. Mr. Schenck's term expires this year. He has served on the Board several terms and has been considered an efficient school man.

Although Mr. Schenck told a reporter for The Courier some months ago that he would not run again, this is the first positive statement he has made regarding the matter since that time.

IN BAD SHAPE.

Family of Alleged Highwayman Is in Destitute Circumstances.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—It is learned by County Detective McBeth that the family of John Russell, who was arrested for alleged complicity in the highway robberies around Star Junction, is in destitute circumstances.

Mrs. Russell refuses to go to the County Home and declines to permit the removal of her three children to the Children's Aid Society of Uniontown.

Missionary Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Robert Foltz on East Main street. A full attendance is desired.

ADVANCE IN PRICE OF BEER ANNOUNCED BY BREWERS TODAY.

The Landlords in Fayette County Must Now Pay Fifty Cents a Barrel More for the Amber Fluid.

AT THE HOSPITAL.

Slavish Woman Brought from Jacobs Creek for Treatment.

Julia Latenopsky, aged 24 years, Slavish, was brought to the Cottage State Hospital from Jacobs Creek this morning with inflamation of the left knee joint.

The condition of Marcellus Ansell, who is at the hospital suffering from concussion of the brain, is about the same as yesterday. Ansell was run down by a train at Rockwood yesterday morning.

ANNUAL DANCE

Of Fortnightly Mandolin Club One of Most Successful Ever Held in Markell Hall.

An elaborate and brilliant social event of the Yuletide season was the tenth annual New Year's dance of the Fortnightly Mandolin Club held last evening in Markell hall. The hall was decorated in Christmas colors and green, festoonings of laurel and smilax adorned the pillars and balcony while large Christmas bells were much in evidence. Dancing commenced at 8.30 o'clock and 35 couple danced the old year out and the new year in. Music was furnished by Moore's six piece orchestra from Greensburg and was a most pleasant feature of the dance. Refreshments were served throughout the evening.

The out of town guests present were: Miss Beryl Shallenberger, Miss Louise Zinn and Miss Cora Philippi of Masontown, Earl Porter and LaMoyne French of Dawson, Miss Grace Moore of Vanderbilt, Miss Campbell, Albert Sarkeler and Charles Hall of Scottdale; John McDonald, Jimiatayville.

MORE CHARGES

Lodged Against Brownsville Italians Supposedly Implicated With Black Hand.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—District Attorney Henderson has directed County Detective Alex McBeth to enter additional charges against Sam Minnette and Frank Reppert, the two Italians sentenced yesterday to a year in the workhouse for carrying concealed weapons. These are the men implicated in the assault upon Guiseppi Nicoletto by Frank Castellatella.

Additional charges of felonious assault and battery, resisting arrest and pointing firearms will be made. This was done at the suggestion of Judge Reppert, who sentenced the men yesterday.

KILLED BURGLAR.

Brooklyn Tailor Shoots Into Darkness and Brings Down His Man This Morning.

United Press Telegram.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—David Jesse, a tailor of Brooklyn, sprang from his bed early this morning when he heard burglars in his house. He fired into the dark hallway and when he ran after the man who fled, on returning stumbled over the body of a dead man, who had been shot through the head.

Police captured the fugitive. Later Jesse was arrested on the technical charge of killing the other burglar.

Many Violent Deaths.

There were 232 violent deaths in Washington county during 1907. Coal mine accidents were responsible for 85. Coroner Sipe says 3 of the miners met death through the direct fault of no one.

HOTEL MEN ARE RATHER SORE

And the Consumer Is Likely to Get Smaller Glasses for His Nickle or the Big Ones Will Have Larger Collars Hereafter.

Shorter glasses of beer, or the big ones with large collars, may become popular in Fayette county, for the brewers have quietly but determinedly increased the price of the amber fluid to wholesalers, 50 cents per barrel which means that the barrels will be called upon to reach 10 glasses farther with the trade. Whether they will or not will be up to the jolly bartender. It will be impossible to raise the time-honored price of beer from 5 cents a glass, and the only means for getting around the increase in price will be for the hotel men to quietly instruct the bartenders to allow their beer to flow swiftly into the glasses and when the foam reaches the top to "shut her off quick."

The brewers have been contemplating the increase in the price of beer for some time. In fact, it is said, that at nearly all the meetings of the Fayette County Brewers' Association this has been the topic of discussion. For a long time, it is said, the Pittsburg Brewing Company was anxious to make the increase in the price, but the Fayette county brewers, who have increased in number and are now strong rivals, were opposed to doing it. They finally came into the fold and now beer is $7.00 per barrel instead of $6.50.

Hotel men who do not own any brewery stock are sore over the increase in price, claiming that the increase is not warranted and especially at this time, when business has been very much below the average, and when prices and wages generally are coming down instead of going up.

No an nouncement has been made of an increase in prices for keg beer or case beer. It is presumed by many that there will be no increase in this size packages, as they are already well priced.

WILL PROBATED.

That of Redstone Township Man Is Filed at Uniontown.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—The will of William D. Price, late of Redstone township, was admitted to probate this morning. It provides for a trust fund of $100, the interest on which is to be used in keeping up the family burial lot. The decedent provides that a monument, not to exceed $500, be erected for himself and wife.

It is directed that the home farm be sold. The balance of the estate is left to the widow, Sarah Price, and at her death is to revert to their adopted daughter, the wife of Thomas Scott.

OLD RESIDENT DIES.

Jesse V. Hoover, Well Known in German Township.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—Jesse W. Hoover, aged 62, a prominent citizen of German township, died this morning at his home there. Death was due to Bright's disease, from which he had suffered for a long time.

Mr. Hoover was prominent in his township and was a brother to former Sheriff James H. Hoover and Thomas A. Hoover of German township.

WALTER CHAIN DEAD.

He Was a Former Resident of Connellsville.

Word was received here this morning from Philadelphia announcing the death of Walter Chain, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Chain, former well known residents of Connellsville. Deceased was 18 years old, and was a nephew of Mrs. S. D. McGraw of East Fairview avenue.

Will Be Married Tonight.

The marriage of Charles M. Hyatt and Miss Mae Clark will take place this evening. After the ceremony Mr. Hyatt and his bride will leave on Duquesne for the East, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Curtis Gregg a Candidate.

Curtis Gregg has announced himself a candidate for delegate from the 22nd Congressional district to the next Democratic Convention, which meets next July 7 in Denver, Col.

Burglar Nearly Frozen In Cold Storage Room.

United Press Telegram.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Unconscious and nearly frozen to death, Joseph Foley, a suspected burglar, was taken from the cold storage room of Klinger & Brothers' butcher shop today. He is now at the Bellevue hospital in a serious condition.

Klinger, on returning from a New Year's celebration, discovered burglars in his store. One of them he had arrested but the other disappeared. After a long search Klinger finally found Foley lying on the cold storage pipes, where he had taken refuge from the police.

It took several hours to thaw the burglar out and restore him to consciousness. Robbing this butcher shop proved too hot for one of the offenders, while the other received a severe frost.

EXIT MINT JULEPS AND OTHER DRINKS.

Seductive Thirst Quenchers Flourish No More Down in Georgia.

STATE PROHIBITION REIGNS.

Cracker State Now Stands With Maine, North Dakota and Oklahoma in Preventing the Manufacture and Sale of Alcoholic Liquors to Its Residents

Special to The Courier.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1.—Georgia is now in the "dry" column side by side with Maine, North Dakota and Oklahoma, making four States in all in which the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor is prohibited. The Hardman-Covington-Neel prohibition law passed by the Legislature last July became operative at midnight last night. The passing from wet to dry was marked by scenes of revelry in some of the larger cities, and an equal display of jubilation on the part of those who have worked to drive the saloons from the State.

The new law prohibits the manufacture, sale, barter, giving away to induce trade, or keeping or furnishing at public places, or keeping on hand at places of business of all alcoholic, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or intoxicating bitters, or other drinks which if drunk in excess will produce intoxication. The measure allows the sale of alcohol for medicinal purposes and the sale of wood or denatured alcohol for art, scientific or mechanical purposes, or grain alcohol for bacteriologists who are actively engaged in that class of work for scientific purposes only. The law also provides stringent rules, covering such sales by druggists. Violations are to be punished as misdemeanors.

In Atlanta the enforcement of the new law meant the closing up of 125 saloons and a large number of wholesale liquor houses. It reduces the city's revenues $200,000 and the revenues of the State $750,000. It is estimated that between 1,500 and 2,000 men employed in liquor establishments have been thrown out of employment. The anti-prohibition element declares the enforcement of the law will be a mockery, with "blind tigers" everywhere and stills galore.

On the other hand the prohibition advocates believe that the new condition of affairs will be worth the cost, no matter how much that be. They believe that it will decrease crime and that it means the betterment of the State and its people. They declare the prohibition law will be very strictly enforced. Already steps are being taken in the larger cities for the formation of law and order societies to aid in running down violators of the law.

HOME WEDDING.

Miss Sue Silcox and Edgar R. Himelright Were Quietly Married Last Evening.

Miss Sue Silcox, daughter of Mrs. Mary Silcox, and Edgar R. Himelright, a well known young business man of town, were quietly married last evening at the home of the bride on East Apple street. Rev. H. B. Burgess, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran church, officiated.

The bride and groom were unattended. The bride wore a brown traveling gown and carried a large bouquet of sweet peas. Only the members of the two families witnessed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Himelright left last night for Winchester, Va., to spend their honeymoon with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Himelright.

THE NEW YEAR

How to Make It a Profitable One to You.

What the year nineteen hundred and eight may bring to you depends largely upon your own efforts. The best help in the world is self help. The man who cultivates self reliance is the man who succeeds in life, and the very first step on the road to independence is the accumulation of a little money. Money in bank gives you a feeling of security that nothing else will. Make up your mind to save at least 10 per cent of your income. Then deposit it in a good bank—in the First National of Connellsville, for instance—where it will earn 4 per cent. interest and be absolutely safe.

Died of Whooping Cough.

Aneta Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cunningham, died yesterday of whooping cough at the family residence at Mover, aged one year and eight days. Funeral from the late residence tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Interment in Mount Olive cemetery.

Broke Jail Record.

In 1907 all records were broken at the Westmoreland county jail, a total of 2,155 prisoners having been confined in that institution. In 1906 the total number of prisoners admitted was almost 2,000, the year before it was a little over 2,000.

10c matinee daily at The Soisson.

ALABAMA DRY

Except in Spots by a New Law Effective Today.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Although there are many remaining counties in Alabama where liquor can be sold until January 1, 1909, when the statutory prohibition act is to come into effect, a very stringent saloon closing act went into operation throughout the State today. According to this law the night closing hour in Mobile and Montgomery will be 9 o'clock; 8 o'clock in the towns from 5,000 to 10,000 inhabitants and 7 o'clock in the smaller towns. The prohibition voted in this county last October goes into force today, resulting in the closing of a total of 150 saloons in Birmingham, Bessemer and Pratt City.

Another liquor law which became operative in Alabama today is the act prohibiting the shipping of liquor from wet into dry territory. It prevents C. O. D. shipments by making the place of sale the destination, not the originating point.

FIRE IN PITTSBURG.

One Fireman Is Injured When Wall Gives Way—Damage Estimated at $150,000.

United Press Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 1.—Fire at 10 o'clock this morning broke out in the nine story building of the Excelsior Casket Company, located at Grant street and Sixth avenue. The blaze lasted for three hours and for a time threatened many other buildings. The origin is a mystery.

After the fire had been declared under control by Chief Humphries, the wall suddenly fell, crushing a fireman who ventured too close. He was taken to the hospital suffering from injured legs. The loss is estimated at $150,000.

SAVED CHILDREN.

Wealthy Philadelphia Banker Discovers Flames in the Nick of Time.

United Press Telegram.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—Robert Holmes Page, a banker rescued his two small children at the peril of his life early this morning, when fire destroyed his magnificent country residence. Page and his wife returned during the early hours and upon opening the door the flames were discovered.

Page secured a ladder, mounted the second story, seized the children and carried them to safety. Five minutes later the children would have been burned to death. The property loss will reach $50,000.

ENTERTAINED CLUB.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McKee Hosts for I. X. L. Club.

The I. X. L. Club was delightfully entertained last evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McKee at their home on Washington avenue. The decorations were artistic and were carried out in red and green in keeping with the Yuletide season. Four tables were brought into use and the prizes were awarded to Mrs. Harry Schonck and H. M. Bell. At the close of the games a dainty repast was served.

The visiting guests were C. W. Downs, Harry Cummings and Miss Mary Cummings. The next meeting will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. S. McKee in New Haven.

CIRCLE MEETING.

Members of Baptist Church Society Meet at Home of Miss DuShane.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Circle of the First Baptist Church was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Miss Mary E. DuShane on Witter avenue. A large number of ladies were present and the meeting was a most delightful one.

Mrs. L. V. Marshall, President of the Circle, presided. Mrs. W. S. Defferbaugh read a paper on "What We Are Doing for Mission Work in India." Mrs. O. B. Painter gave a reading on "Neighbor Missions." Both selections were of an interesting nature and were greatly enjoyed by those present.

Takes Horse to Haul Stolen Hogs.

Thieves stole a horse from the barn of P. E. Sangston and then took three hogs from the smoke house of Elmore Franks, both of whom live south of Uniontown. It is supposed they stole the horse with which to haul away the hogs. Over 1,000 pounds of meat were taken. The horse was later turned loose and found along a road.

Going After Fortune.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Claiming property valued at $28,000,000 and now in the possession of the German government, descendants of Peter Stillwagon, who came from Germany to America during the war for independence have banded together to obtain a settlement from the Kaiser's government.

P. McK. & G. Men Here.

Superintendent M. A. Coffey and John Selvis, officers of the P. McK. & G. railway, are in Connellsville today consulting with West Penn officials on matters of business.

Y. M. C. A. Reception.

All preparations have been completed for the Y. M. C. A. reception this afternoon and evening and large crowds are expected.

10c matinee daily at The Soisson.

LOOKING FOR VICTIMS.

Eight Dead Miners Already Recovered from New Mexico Mine.

EL PASO, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Rescuers are still searching the Barnal mine of the Carthage Fuel Company at Carthage, N. M., for five miners known to be still in the shaft. Eight dead miners and five seriously injured have already been taken out.

The list of employes has not yet been checked and the death list may be increased. It is established that the explosion resulted from ignition of coal dust by a wind shaft.

L. L. CLUB ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. R. S. McKee Hostess at Afternoon Event.

Mrs. R. S. McKee entertained the L. L. Club yesterday afternoon at her home on Main street, New Haven. The club is composed of ladies from New Haven and all the members were present with the exception of one. The afternoon was a most delightful one. Work for the new year was outlined and discussed, after which refreshments were served. Each lady was presented with an attractive New Year's card by the hostess.

DEATH IN FIRE.

Big Loss in Philadelphia Blaze This Morning.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—One death and a property loss of $150,000 was the result of a fire today in the building occupied by Kern, Saylor & Company, carpet manufacturers.

J. G. Hoagland, proprietor of a livery stable adjoining the building, died of heart failure while trying to get his horses to a place of safety.

FIRE IN FRISCO.

Flat Building Is Completely Gutted This Morning.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Fire early today gutted the crowded flat building in Filbert street. Louis Sigone, aged 11, was killed.

Four other persons were probably fatally injured by jumping from windows. Scores of others escaped death in the flames by jumping from windows. They received minor injuries.

Quaker City Celebrates.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Philadelphia today held its customary elaborate celebration of the birth of the new year. The principal feature of the day was the parade of the New Year's Associations. It is estimated that the paraders numbered more than 5,000, all attired in gorgeous costumes.

Injured in Wreck.

SUNBURY, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Fifteen passengers were injured, some seriously, when the Pennsylvania Express, which left Buffalo last night, due in Philadelphia at 7.30 this morning was wrecked at Standon, 19 miles west of here.

Slight Fire in New Haven.

A slight fire originating from a defective flue broke out this morning in William Stoner's residence on First street, New Haven. By the alertness of several men the fire was extinguished before any great damage was done.

Fair and Colder.

Fair and colder tonight and Thursday, except probably snow flurries tonight, is the last word in bulletin issued by the Pittsburg Weather Bureau.

10c matinee daily at The Soisson.

Local and Personal Mention.

The Lighting Chance's our next serial story begins tomorrow. Don't miss reading it.

Mr. and Mrs. Stump of McKees Rocks left for their home today after spending the holidays with the latter's father, Leslie Brown, the South Connellsville merchant.

William J. Breese, who is employed in the Pittsburg postoffice, spent Sunday with his father-in-law, Leslie Brown, South Connellsville.

Prof. Jakes will hold a Leap Year party in the Eagles new hall, Nelson building, this evening. Dancing from 9 to 12.

Miss Grace Collins of South Connellsville has returned home from a visit with friends in Morgantown.

Mrs. Willis Walker and children of South Connellsville returned home on Tuesday from a visit with friends and relatives at Pittsburg.

Miss Henrietta Walker and Miss Grace Collins were in Uniontown today visiting friends.

Miss Margaret Artaman, a former clerk in the shoe department of Mace & Co., has resigned her position and will enter the Mercy Hospital at Pittsburg in order to become a trained nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Duncan of North Pittsburg street returned home today from a visit with relatives at Connellsville.

James and Walter Wilson of Mount Pleasant are visiting friends here.

Miss Nellie Coughlin of Allegheny, Harry Townsend and Albert Shickler of Scottdale were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Myers, Porter avenue.

Mrs. J. M. Mitchell of Virginia was the guest of friends in town yesterday.

Miss Kathryn Garritt of Scottdale has returned after a visit with Mrs. Joseph Kiling of Cedar avenue.

The Misses Rick of Uniontown were the guests of friends in town yesterday.

Rev. and Mrs. George Flynt of Coraopolis have returned home after a visit with Mrs. Rebecca Davis of North Pittsburg street.

Miss Margaret Coyne is ill at her home on the South Side.

Mrs. Emil Cassel of Pittsburg is visiting her father, Alfred Hood of West Peach street.

It will be unnecessary to go through a painful expensive operation for Piles if you use Manzo. Put up in a collapsible tube with nozzle ready to apply. For any form of Piles, price 50c. Sold by Graham & Co.

Miss Elizabeth Lewis of Vanderbilt was shopping in town yesterday.

Mrs. Samuel Davidson of Dunbar was in town yesterday on her return home from a visit at Pittsburg.

Francis Richey of Connellsville was in town Saturday on business.

Mrs. W. G. Marquis and daughter Morgan have returned home from a visit with friends in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Stanley Nelson and little daughter of Morgantown have returned home today after a visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Gumm of North Pittsburg street.

Mrs. Anna Mitchell and Mrs. Arthur of Dilloyle were the guests of friends in town yesterday.

Mrs. M. J. Adams of Rockwood spent yesterday with friends here.

P. W. Wright was in Uniontown yesterday on business.

Mrs. Roderick of Dravosburg is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lilla Patterson, of South Prospect street.

Mrs. W. H. Cottom and daughter have returned home from a visit with friends and relatives at Somerset.

P. A. Ardrey of New York has returned home after a several days visit here. Mr. Ardrey was formerly employed at the Union Supply Company's store at Trotter.

To stop that pain in the back that makes life miserable take Pineulas. They are guaranteed. Don't suffer from rheumatism, backache, kidney trouble when you get Pineulas treatment to $1.00. A single dose at bed time proves their merit. Get them today. Sold by Graham & Co.

Mrs. Margaret Schanor of Pittsburg is the guest of her niece, Mrs. H. C. Hardy, of Morton avenue.

The regular monthly meeting of the C. W. B. M. Auxiliary of the Christian church will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. G. W. Shaffer on Green street.

The condition of Miss Agnes McGloin, who has been ill in the past two weeks, is somewhat improved and the prospects for her speedy recovery are now very bright.

Mrs. C. D. Swingley and baby of East Main street have returned from a visit with relatives in Pittsburg.

Miss Robert Irby and little daughter Roberta of East Main street have returned home from a visit with relatives at Buckhannon, W. Va.

Mrs. George Martin and baby of North Pittsburg street went to Pittsburg yesterday to visit relatives for a few days.

Miss Katherine Ritchey of East Fairview avenue has returned home from a visit with friends at Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Burkett of Dunbar were Connellsville visitors yesterday.

Kings Little Liver Pills make up lazy livers, clean the system and clear the skin. Fine for biliousness and sick headache. Price 25c. Sold by Graham & Co.

Mrs. Elizabeth Moon is seriously ill at her home on East Francis avenue.

Mrs. John Keck of Floyd Ford is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Meritta, of East Fairview avenue.

Miss Myrtle Dawson of Dawson was shopping in town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wolford and son, of East Main street, have returned home from a visit with relatives in Cumberland.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Whip of Manassas, Va., returned home after a visit with friends and relatives here. They also visited friends at Johnstown.

Mrs. J. Scott Gilmore and two children of Smithfield have returned home after a visit with relatives here and at Dawson.

Bee's Laxative Cough Syrup for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, grows in favor daily. Mothers should keep it on hand for children. It is prompt relief to croup. It is gently laxative, driving the poison and phlegm from the system. It gives immediate relief. Guaranteed. Sold by Graham & Co.

C. E. Loop of the Hoop Hardward Company is in Pittsburg today on business.

Mrs. I. A. Hoffman of Pittsburg returned home this morning after a visit with her son, E. M. Hoffman of Porter avenue.

Miss Lillie Blythe of Dunbar was in town yesterday calling on friends.

M. S. Pickard of town was in Uniontown last evening attending a social given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hose.

Miss Margaret McGeogan of Everson was in town yesterday on a little shopping trip.

Mrs. Louis Lynch of Valley Works was a Connellsville visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Baisley and two children of Wilkinsburg are visiting Mr. Baisley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Baisley of New Haven.

Pineulas Carbolized acts like a poultice, draws out inflammation and poison. Antiseptic healing. For chapped hands, feet, cuts, burns. Sold by Graham & Co.

NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters From the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny.

Edward Kerr of Colorado is visiting his brother, Clark Kerr at Wheeler. Mr. Kerr resided here for several years.

Miss Margaret Reed of Pittsburg has returned home after a visit with Mrs. C. W. Callaghan of Sixth street.

Mrs. Harriet Butte of Flatwoods was the guest of friends in town yesterday.

Rose Mooney of Main street was at Dunbar yesterday on business.

Miss Virgie Herbert of Third street has returned home from a visit with Wilkinsburg.

Michael Brownlier of Wick Haven was calling on friends in town yesterday.

J. C. Shepard of Vanderbilt was in town yesterday transacting business.

Simon Marts and family are moving from Light street, Greenwood, into their new home which they recently purchased on Ninth street, Greenwood.

Thomas Matthews of Uniontown was the guest of Squire P. M. Buttermore of Main street yesterday.

Miss Ella Davis, teacher of room No. 2 of the public schools was tendered a handkerchief shower yesterday afternoon by her pupils, receiving many dainty handkerchiefs.

J. I. Jones of Pittsburg was in town yesterday on business.

Miss Maud Grace of Flatwoods is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Johnson, of Main street.

A. J. Wagner is confined to his home on Main street with a severe cold.

Mrs. Florence McDonald and daughter, Violet, of Main street were the guest Sunday of Morgan Campbell at Scottdale.

Misses Florence and Frances Sheppard of Smithton were the guests of Miss Freda Rhodes of Main street over Sunday.

Mrs. Ira Pershing of Hammondville was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carson of Greenwood Sunday.

Miss Jennie Crossland of Tenth street is threatened with an attack of pneumonia.

George Ellard of Pittsburg is visiting friends in town this week.

Miss Linnie Deal and Miss Hilda Kinter of Greenwood were the guests of Miss Amanda Schickler of Vanderbilt Sunday.

Edward Dugnan was in Pittsburg yesterday.

David Wagner of Main street went to Uniontown yesterday to visit John Cool for several days.

Frank Fuller of Smithton has returned home after a visit with Joseph Rhodes of Main street.

Department S. B. Sickelsmith was a business caller in Uniontown yesterday.

The following letters are advertised in Postmaster S. B. Sickelsmith for the week ending Thursday, December 26: James Gillhooley, Miss L. Junk, Joel Komar, Mrs. Kautus and Henry Sprague.

Frank McDifott has returned to Duff's Business College in Pittsburg after spending his vacation at his home on Fourth street.

The News of Nearby Towns.

DUNBAR.

Events of the Day in the Busy Furnace Town

DUNBAR Jan 1—Wilson Taylor of Uniontown was here Monday on business.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

L D Clark was the guest of friends in Connellsville Monday.

J C H Pierce was transacting business in Connellsville Tuesday.

Rev L M McBride of Acme, Pa, who was called here by the First Presbyterian Church congregation has declined to accept the call.

T A Hamilton of Pittsburg was here on business Tuesday.

The Dunbar-Dawson Bowling League was formed and the following games scheduled for this month: New Haven at Dawson, January 2—Dunbar at Connellsville January 2. Connellsville at Dunbar January 7. Dawson at New Haven January 7. New Haven at Connellsville January 10. Dunbar at Dawson January 10. Dawson at Dunbar January 14. New Haven at Connellsville January 14.

George Wagner was the guest of friends in Uniontown Sunday.

Harvey Dair was the guest of friends in Connellsville Monday.

Joe Bunting was transacting business in Connellsville Monday.

Miss Katie Bowlin was the guest of friends in Uniontown Saturday evening.

Omer Pierce, who is a student at the Pittsburg School of Dentistry, is here for a few days visiting his mother Mrs Pierce, of Speer's Hill.

Anthony Flynn has moved from the home of Andy George to a house back of the brick school.

Mrs. John Steele was the guest of friends in Connellsville Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Sayers was the guest of friends and relatives in Uniontown on Tuesday.

The Democrats of the borough will hold their suggestion meeting Thursday evening January 2 at 7:30 o'clock in Barnes, Cottom's office on Railroad street. It is proposed that all Democrats turn out. Anyone wishing to be a candidate can put their petitions out at this meeting.

William Herron, who is employed by Wilson & Wishart is off duty on account of a severe cold. Charles Miller is working in his place.

Mrs John Dietz was shopping in Connellsville Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Lloyd Gongaware and two children, who have been the guests of friends and relatives at Tarr for the past few days returned home Monday.

Ray Campbell of Smithfield was here visiting friends and relatives on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs George Golden were guests of friends and relatives at Tarr recently.

Squire D K Cameron was attending to some business matters in Uniontown Tuesday.

Chester Golden is moving his family from Tarr to this place, where he has secured employment with the Dunbar Furnace Company.

Mr and Mrs Upton Speer and two children, Stewart and Paul, spent Sunday at the home of Mr and Mrs George Speer at Tarr.

Rev Thomas W. Perkins, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church was in Uniontown last evening attending the watch meeting held in the First Methodist Protestant Church at that place.

J. W Chuck who is employed at one of the saw mills of John Curry and who has been the guest of friends at Ohiopyle for the past week returned home Monday.

C H Smith of Uniontown was here Tuesday the guest of friends and relatives.

Miss Martha Greer was the guest of friends in Connellsville on Tuesday.

Stewart Strickler spent Sunday and Monday with friends at Ohiopyle.

Miss Jessie Smith who had been the guest of friends and relatives in Pittsburg and Swissvale for the past week returned home Sunday evening.

T L Reynolds was transacting business in Connellsville Tuesday.

Charles Nemon was a business visitor in Connellsville Tuesday morning.

Mrs William C Smith was the guest of friends in Connellsville Tuesday.

Dr J P Scott the dentist has moved from the Foltz building to Uniontown.

The Republicans of the borough will hold their suggestion meeting Thursday evening in the office of Squire D K Cameron on Woodvale street.

Superintendent I J Stocker of the Columbia Steel Company's plant at Mahoning was transacting business in Connellsville on Tuesday.

OHIOPYLE.

Notes From the Little Mountain Resort Up the Yough

OHIOPYLE Jan 1—Miss Lehel Morrison who had been spending the past two weeks at her home here returned to school at Edenboro on Tuesday.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

Mrs Tilza Linderman who had been spending the past month with Mr and Mrs J I Nicholson at this place returned to her home in Connellsville yesterday.

Miss Ophelia Skinner was shopping in Connellsville Tuesday.

Mrs S Mitchell and son Scott of near here were visiting relatives in Connellsville yesterday.

W M Clotfelty was looking after business matters in Connellsville yesterday.

Mr and Mrs Ben Dodson left yesterday for Connellsville to spend a few days with relatives.

Clarence Baily of Whig Corner was calling on friends in town yesterday.

George Hohman of Salt Spring was a business caller in town Tuesday.

Tom Thorpe was a business caller in town yesterday.

Start today to take the Daily Courier. Delivered to your door at 25 cents per month.

Earl Harbaugh who had been spending the past two weeks on a vacation at his home near here returned to school at Edenboro Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs Nelson Judy and son Linwood of Somerset were visiting relatives on Grant's row yesterday.

DAWSON.

Live Notes From the Busy Little Town Down the Yough

DAWSON Jan 1—The new year was quietly ushered in this morning. No bells were rung and only a few whistles at the P & L E round house were blown.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

Edward Anderson of Scottdale and brother Charles of East Liverpool were guests of friends here Monday.

A dance will be given in the Cochran Band hall tomorrow evening. The committee is composed of John McGill Earl Porter and Ray Neville.

John L Thomas general agent of Dickerson Run schools was a Pittsburg business caller Monday.

Mr and Mrs Martin Hecklinger have returned home after spending a few months in South Carolina.

Miss Mabel Morrow of Pittsburg is the guest of the Misses Lorraine and Katherine McGill.

Earl Porter attended the dance given last night by the Mandolin Club, Connellsville.

Mrs B F McMinds of East Liberty is on the sick list with the grip.

Frank Wright of Monessen was here on business Tuesday.

Tomorrow night on the home alleys Dawson bowlers will play their first game in the new League. Their opponents will be New Haven.

John Moore has accepted a position as bookkeeper for W H Cochran & Co. He started in on his new duties this morning.

J C McGill was a Connellsville caller Tuesday.

Miss Jane Geidsboro was a Connellsville caller today.

CONFLUENCE.

Interesting Items From Somerset County's Hustling Town.

CONFLUENCE Dec 31—Dr F H Woldeman of Morrisdale Pa, who succeeds Dr Griffith comes here well recommended. We wish the Doctor success.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

A roller skating party was held last night at the rink. Everybody had a good time.

W D Gilchrist of Ohiopyle has been a business visitor here for the past few days.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens Water Company is called for Saturday afternoon at o'clock at the Hotel Dodds.

Invitations are out for the marriage of John H. Beeits and Miss Florence Kheiper Friday evening January 10 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Somerset.

Miss Sterner of Somerset is the guest of Miss Ada Himmell.

Miss Clara Johns n of Casselman was here Monday evening visiting relatives.

Miss Grove of Greensburg, Md is the guest of Miss Elsie Beeson.

Robert Pullin was down from Somerset calling on friends Monday evening.

J C Gaither Jr of Somerset was a business caller yesterday.

Fred N Bloucker a Somerset attorney, was here today attending a meeting of the Directors of the First National Bank.

A E Berkey, formerly Prothonotary of this county at present residing at Somerset was here on business yesterday.

C M Beatty of Ligonier has been here several days on business.

Those registered at hotels are: T L Lashley Cumberland G I Sarver Connellsville, W B Countryman Pittsburg M Crowley New Haven C A Laraway and wife Uniontown, R Howard Uniontown, J H Ling, Meyersdale C W Beard Pittsburg W A Smith Dixon J W Miller R J Brown Pittsburg J L Tugh, Somerset.

ROCKWOOD.

Bright Paragraphs From the Big Somerset County Borough

ROCKWOOD Jan 1—A watch meeting was held last night in the United Evangelical Church for the purpose of welcoming in the new year. Besides having a song service in which some of the best local talent took part a lecture from Meyersdale was secured and helped entertain those present.

Chas A Shumaker son of Mr and Mrs S A Shumaker of near this place and Saylia Shaner Rose of Springs were married Christmas eve.

Norbert Carble employed as a boiler maker in the Duquesne steel mills was here several days last week at the home of his parents Mr and Mrs Harry J Carble of Railroad street.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

N W Sullivan a prominent citizen of New Centreville died at his home there last Sunday after an illness of short duration. The remains were interred in the cemetery at that place yesterday afternoon.

Ralph A Liphart, formerly of this place but now of Homestead where he is employed by the Carnegie Steel Company spent last week at his home in Casselman and among friends here.

A series of special evangelistic meetings are in progress at the United Brethren Church. Rev G A Sparks the pastor is making a strong effort to strengthen his church here.

MEYERSDALE.

Local and Personal Mention from the Big Somerset County Town

MEYERSDALE Dec 31—Howard Johnson of Casselman proprietor of the Hotel Wabash was a business visitor to this place today.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

A social in honor of Mr and Mrs Hugh Ross of Woodbine Ia was tendered last evening at the home of Mr and Mrs S A Kendall of North street. Those present were Mr and Mrs Hugh Ross Woodbine Pa Mr and Mrs Samuel I Philson Mrs Kate Bowman, Miss Kennedy Tolca Dr and Mrs B Mosby Mr and Mrs W T Hobbitzell Mr and Mrs W H Dill Mr and Mrs S A Kendall.

John W Kretzburg of Struthers O was called to the bedside of his mother Mrs Adam Kretzburg who is lying seriously ill at her home on North street. Mr Kretzburg besides being freight agent for the Mahoning Street Railway Company is engaged in the retail grocery business and the manufacture of confectionery.

Fred Ansell a farmer residing near Casselman was instantly killed at Rockwood this afternoon. He stopped off of train No 18 right in the path of fast express No 17 and had his head crushed.

Fights Scheduled For This Date.

Owen Moran vs Abe Attell 25 rounds at San Francisco.

Jack Buckbun vs Mike Donovan six rounds at Philadelphia.

Sailor Burke vs Walter Stanton six rounds at New York.

Tabe Smith vs Charley Williams 20 rounds at Salt Lake City.

Kid Texas vs Billy Smallham 20 rounds at San Diego Cal.

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SMITHFIELD.

Chatty Letter From the Metropolis of Georges Township

SMITHFIELD Dec 1—C O Bosley moved into his new residence on Morgantown street yesterday.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

Born to Mr and Mrs Thomas Minard December—a girl baby.

H P Sutton butcher for the Penn Supply Company is transacting business in Everson today.

Alt O'Neil of Uniontown was a business visitor here yesterday.

The entertainment given in the Baptist Church on Christmas eve will by request be repeated New Years night.

Indications are favorable for a resumption of work at the Acme Coke plant in the near future.

Mr and Mrs J J Howard who were here attending the birthday anniversary of A S Howard returned to their home in Bellevue yesterday.

D A Griffith was an early business caller from Uniontown this morning.

George Molley and John Mosey of Jacobs Creek Nicholson township were transacting business here today.

Wilbur Johnson of Baxters Ridge was a borough business visitor today.

Squire W I Miller of Nicholson was transacting business here today.

The Penn Supply Company is laying a plank walk across the dam on Acme street.

The Standard Oil Company is having difficulty in getting teams to haul pipe from here to the line in the mountains. There are plenty of teams here ready to haul but the owners of the teams don't care to haul for the price offered by the company $2.00 a joint. The distance is about 1 mile to the nearest point of delivery.

Alton George Hopkins and Robert Shibler of Hopwood were business visitors in the borough today.

Parker Shibler and wife of Morris Cross Roads timbered business here today.

Our schools have gotten down to business again after their two weeks vacation.

The surveyors who have been working on York run for several week after a holiday vacation turned to work again Monday morning.

The party who took the magazine off the Secretary's desk in the I O O F Lodge room Monday night will please leave it in Postoffice Box No 115.

Miss May Whetzel employed at Dunbar was visiting her parents here this week.

Prof F R Hough who had been here visiting friends and relatives returned to his home in Ripon Lake this morning. He is now employed by a publishing firm.

Try our classified advertisements.

PERRYOPOLIS.

Paragraphs From Famous Old Village Washington Laid Out

PERRYOPOLIS Dec 31—Elias Weimer who has been sick at Chalkton for a number of years is moving to this place.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

Prof Chas N Plum principal of our public schools who has been spending his vacation with his parents at Franklin Pa was called to Perryopolis on account of sickness in his family and will not return until the latter part of the week.

A prohibition meeting will be held at the M E Church next Sabbath. We expect to have a lively meeting.

Ira Hopkins who has been sick for the past week is able to be around again.

Walter Shelby who has been bookkeeper for the Star Supply Company for the past two years has accepted a similar position in Dravosburg.

Our concert band is making real progress and we hope to have one of the best bands along the Yough by Memorial Day if we have one.

Benjamin Hartsog a student at the Jeffer on Medical School is spending his vacation with his parents here.

Since the oilers have been closed down the only thing we can hear is "I never got hold of a dollar again I will hold onto it to the very last."

S S Townsend a student at Mount Ville College is filling the place of Prof Plum at the schools here during the latter's absence.

A S Byers has closed his school until Monday on account of an attack of tonsilitis.

T W Weimer was a business visitor at the County Seat yesterday.

I H Baugh and D L Lutes will start for Florida in the near future.

We are told on all that we have a few young men who are willing to guard the town against robbers during these evening times. So be careful as to who you try to scare.

There was a watch meeting held in Clyde Ivens barber shop at which the boys rang out the old year and in the new. It consisted principally of the reguliation gun.

STAUFFER.

Local and Personal Mention from the Mt Pleasant Branch Town.

STAUFFER Dec 31—Miss Edith Saufman is spending a few days with her uncle Phil Saufman.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

Miss Amanda Smith was shopping in Mt Pleasant yesterday.

Mrs Homer Foster and Mrs Charles Krumbhook were shopping in Mt Pleasant Monday.

Mr and Mrs Harry Bliss of Pittsburg are spending a few days with the former's parents Mr and Mrs William Bliss.

James Horner is spending a couple weeks with his parents Mr and Mrs James Horner.

Mrs J Clark of Mt Pleasant spent a few pleasant hours with his sister Mrs Charles Stober last week.

Edward and Osborne Morgan of Acme spent Sunday with their parents Mr and Mrs William Morgan.

Owensdale

OWENSDALE Dec 31—Jacob Murray was attending to matters of business in Scottdale today.

Read the opening chapters of "The Fighting Chance" in this issue.

The Summit store of the Union Supply Company has closed its doors. All the goods have been transferred to the Morgan store of the same company.

The marvelous of recent large loss of what is claimed to be human skeleton by workmen excavating Brownfield's Alone farm has caused quite a sensation. Some claim they are the remains of an Indian while others assert they are those of a soldier who was killed during the great strike in the region in 1894.

10c matinee daily at The Soisson

BEAR RUN.

Personal Mention From the Masons' Country Place in the Mountain

BEAR RUN Dec 31—H F Hagan Mr and Mrs Joseph Fitz and Mrs C J Coke were shopping in Connellsville Monday.

Miss Martha W M Fitz and Minor Smith were shopping in Ohiopyle Monday.

Mr and Mrs Paul Dilles and family of Indian Creek were visiting friends and relatives here Sunday.

David Hall of Baltimore Md was a business caller at Connellsville Monday.

Mr Robert Pratt was shopping in Connellsville on Wednesday.

Miss Mary E and W A Kent and Jacob Stull were shopping in Connellsville last Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Rodney Woolman of South Connellsville were the guests of friends and relatives here over Christmas.

Miss Glenn Bryant and family of Pittsburg are visiting the former's parents over Christmas.

Charles Bunnell and son of Rockspring were business callers at Bear Run Wednesday.

Mrs C C Tissue and Miss Tissue and A S Fridley attended the funeral of Mr Calvin Friend at Connellsville Thursday.

Matthew Hayes is now able to be out again.

J L Cunningham of Ohiopyle was a business caller here Friday.

Miss Susan Lawrey who is employed at Indian Creek was visiting friends over Christmas.

Lambert Kidwhidder of Connellsville was visiting friends at Bear Run Christmas and Wednesday.

Emma and Clyde Lowe and Harold Stull were business callers at Ohiopyle Wednesday.

Earl Shriver who was held up with the mumps is now able to be around again.

Miss Louise Stephens of Dunbar Hill and Sam West of Ohiopyle were with Court visitors Sunday.

Mr and Mrs C W Anderson of Brickerdown were the guests of Mr and Mrs M C Sidwell for a few days.

Ralph and William Bishop are building a new hotel.

The new addition for White Corner is now in full and will be occupied January 1st.

P S Williams of Mill Run will preach at the White Corner Baptist church next Saturday evening January 4 at 7:30 P M.

Following are the pupils who attend the Christmas tree at the Baptist church at Mill Run last Wednesday evening: Misses Ethel Hoppe and Bertha Hartlison, Miss Myrtle Bailey, Mrs Jessie Friend, Rev and Clyde Friend, Jacob Stull, John and Clyde and Pearl Lowes, George Lidington.

Dr H Y Brady was a business caller at Connellsville on Friday.

Basil Carlotta who met with an accident here some time ago is improving slowly.

Coke Company Election

The stockholders of the North in Connellsville Coke Company yesterday held their annual election and the following officers were chosen: President, Wade H Lehrd; Vice President, Daniel Hunt; Secretary, George W Campbell; Treasurer, James W Buttermore. The following are the Directors: Christian Echard, J M Doyle, John M Murraw and Thomas Hunt.

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WEDNESDAY EVE, JAN. 1, 1908

COAL ASSESSMENTS IN WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

The decision of the Westmoreland Court reducing coal assessments in that county $70 per acre is more intelligent in its definitions than equitable in its deductions It prefaces its findings of facts and law with the following interesting exposition of the lawful manner of making and revising assessments

The law requires property to be assessed at its fair market value The duty of the Assessor is to value every piece of land at the price which he 'shall, after due examination and consideration believe the same would sell for, if sold singly and separately at a bona fide sale, after due public notice' And the duty of the Commissioners is to examine the returns of the Assessors and 'inquire whether the same have been made in conformity with law and whether all property to be valued for taxation has been valued at a sum or price not less than the same would bring after full public notice at a public sale, supposing each separate tract of land, with the improvements only were to be sold' The duty of the Commissioners as plainly directed by the Act of Assembly is to revise, correct and equalize the valuations of all property taxable by law

Any owner of real estate aggrieved by the action of the Commissioners is entitled to an appeal to the Court of Common Pleas which is empowered 'to make such orders and decrees touching the matter complained of as to the Judges of said Court may seem just and equitable having due regard to the valuation and assessment made of other real estate in such county or city' The powers of the Court are defined in the Act itself The Judges are not Assessors to ascertain values Their duty is to take a comparative view having due regard to the valuation of other real estate in the county The province of the Court is to determine whether the assessment is in conformity to law whether the property returned is taxable whether the valuation is in excess of the legal standard and to secure so far as possible uniformity and equalization of values

The Court makes it plain that it hears and determines such complaints only as are based on alleged excessive and unreasonable valuations In practise, it never has any other kind But the Court assumes from the language of the law that its province is always equalization downward, and never upward "We are charged" the Court repeats, 'with seeing that none of it (the coal) is assessed beyond its actual value, or discriminated against in the valuation,' and follows with this further statement

But the law not only requires property to be assessed at its fair market value but also aims to have valuations equalized Perfect equality, of course is out of the question No matter what plan of assessment is adopted some will have to bear an unequal burden The function of the Court is to see that a uniform standard has been adopted and generally applied. An assessment on one property is not to be reduced simply because a few other properties are undervalued If such were the rule no plan of assessment could be carried out

Following out this rule the Court finds that none of the lands have been assessed beyond their actual value or discriminated against, but it deducts $70 per acre as the value of the surface lands where such lands are not owned by the coal companies, or where they are assessed separately at the request of the owners The evidence submitted as to the value of the coal and the valuations actually set upon it, are as follows.

Field	Evidence	Ass'd
Connellsville	$1,000 to $2 000	$770
Latrobe	700 to 800	700
Greensburg	700 to 800	500
Irwin	300 to 1 000	400
Algonier .	600 to 1 000	100

If the coal had been assessed in accordance with the language of the law, "at what it would sell for, if sold singly and separately at a bona fide sale, after due public notice,' it will be seen from the testimony that it would have been marked up a great deal higher than it actually was, yet it is assessed considerably higher than the coal of neighboring counties and from this point of view the Westmoreland coal owners are being discriminated against.

But they are not the only class of property owners that have been discriminated against.

The Court declares that it is the duty of the County Commissioners 'to classify property of the same kind and to apply to it a uniform standard of assessments, but ought not this uniformity extend to the classifications themselves? We have seen that the coal assessments of Westmoreland county are only about one-half the actual value of the coal, yet we are told by the Westmoreland County School Directors' Association that some other properties are assessed at 80 per cent of their value Is this not rank discrimination between the classes?

It is evident that assessments are uniform only in one respect, namely, that they are never made at full value as required by law The Courts tell us they have no power to increase valuations even after evidence, but only to decrease them when the properties appear to be "assessed beyond their actual value, or discriminated against in the valuation

If the law required the assessed valuation to be one half the actual value, is it not reasonable to suppose that the law would be more strictly followed with the result that assessments of all kinds would be more equitable?

THE NEW POSTOFFICE AND THE GREATER TOWN.

The evident determination of the Government to build its new postoffice building on the Davidson and Wallace lots means that the authorities recognize the fact that Connellsville and New Haven must soon, in the natural order of things be consolidated and the borough lines extended beyond present boundaries The Postoffice Department has located the new postoffice with a view to its being the center of Greater Connellsville, and the authorities have we think used excellent judgment.

So far as we are able to judge the appraisement of the properties is a fair one, and we hope it will be satisfactory to the owners and that the site may be acquired without delay

We would also suggest that it is time to begin the preliminary work of consolidation The New Haven people are not unwilling to join with us, but they want certain street improvements guaranteed This arrangement may also be amicably made between the Town Councils, or New Haven can issue its bonds and settle the matter at once and finally

The greater town movement has halted too long Let it now be pressed to early consummation, so that the forthcoming census of 1910 will give us the place on the map to which our importance as a community entitles us

THE CENTRAL BANK OF ISSUE REMEDY.

Robert Emmett Ireton in the Review of Reviews, advocates a solution of our financial troubles His argument is not devoid of ability. He says

Emergency currency based solely on a high interest rate is undesirable, and, at best, a palliative What we want is an issuance of properly protected bank credit notes to insure elasticity, rediscounting facilities control of the discount rate and the prevention of soaring interest rates These and more a central bank will furnish Such an institution would deal exclusively with banks receive and disburse Government moneys act as Government agents in redeeming paper money issue currency and rediscount for banks It would serve as a buttress for the national banks and as a sanctuary in times of panic It would prevent the hoarding of Government money in the Treasury vaults by acting as its custodian and it would terminate the periodic appeals of the money market to the Treasury for relief By dividing its stock among the national banks of the country in proportion to their capital its relation to each would be uniform and though the constant changing of its paper its assets would be available always and its assistance to business constant Moreover, it would eliminate the Sub Treasury system and prevent inflation and contraction liable to follow the Government's disbursements and collections by keeping the nation's money at the disposal of trade and commerce Every country in Europe has a central bank and the Bank of England Bank of France and Imperial Bank of Germany or Reichsbank are pertinent illustrations of worth and service Japan copied our system thirty-two years ago but later discarded it for the central bank We alone among highly civilized peoples have no such institution and to profound political prejudice that is absolutely without foundation must responsibility therefor be ascribed It is a melancholy commentary on our character and an admission of our inefficiency, that we are unable to adopt for our financial ends a method so helpful to other countries

In the meantime Congress is going slowly in the currency matter, and there is room for the suspicion that the Washington statesmen shrink from disturbing either the financial system or the tariff system, until after the impending Presidential election

Fortunately, we seem to have weathered the currency storm, but it is a sad commentary on our political system that legislation of crying necessity must wait upon political necessities real or fancied

Fayette county has a real, live game and fish warden He comes a little late His presence here ten years ago would have made the Youghiogheny a good bass stream today instead of a barren body of good fishing water If there is any guarantee of the preservation of the purity of the streams the Youghiogheny ought to be one of the first to be stocked with bass and one of the few that should be zealously guarded against the fish hog and the pernicious dynamiter

The Army of the Unemployed is organizing but its recruits will all drop away with returning industry

There will be a great gathering of Moose in Uniontown this coming summer but it will be contrary to law to shoot them Local sports will please take notice and if they must shoot they should be careful not to shoot too hard

Fayette county has developed oil and gas in profitable quantities We are just beginning to discover our mineral resources There may be many others hidden beneath the surface It is not at all certain that the Connellsville region will cease to be a great coal and coke producing section even after the Connellsville seam has been worked out

The Wisconsin Legislature has succeeded in driving the insurance business out of the State by vexatious and impossible requirements The war against corporations may not pass the limits of reason without becoming a war upon the people

Reformer Tilma promises to have a rocky road to travel No wonder he has been such a strenuous advocate of Good Roads

The Courier is pleased to print church and society notices but it prefers that they be written out legibly and handed in to the office Telephone messages are prone to speed inaccuracies and the town holds no busier man than The Courier staff

Exchange Etchings

The Latrobe Bulletin has discovered that the purpose of the State Department of Vital Statistics is the furnishing of statistics for Tom Kearr

The Greensburg Tribune says the Dunbar mine disaster was caused by an explosion of gas and does not understand why the mine was used as a non-gaseous and open lights permitted in it

The Washington Reporter declares that Washington county huntsmen have to take a copy of the game laws with them when they go hunting in order not to violate the law

The Everett Press thinks our own Bob' Warman is right when he says that no candidate can spend considerably to his expense account and write the law requiring him to do so wiped off the statute books

The Brownsville Clipper-Monitor tells us that it is getting cold in some lands to get hot the Christmas sun rise on any quarrel

The Masontown News is grateful that Christmas weeks finds no mine disasters in the Klondyke region

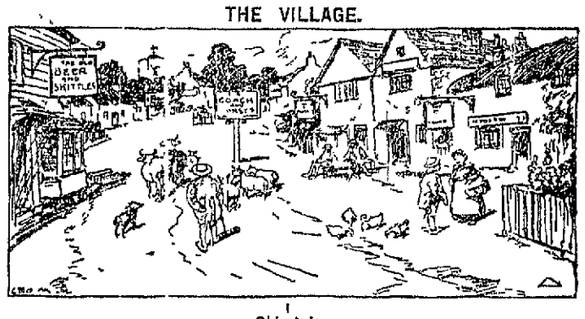
The Scottdale Observer sees a yellow streak in the man who can't face trouble

Let's Hope for a Happier New Year.

Scottdale Observer

With two eminent southern Congressmen giving each other the lie direct and following it up with an interchange of static courtesies during which, according to the press the claret flowed and will two Fayette county editors jow ring and making mouths at each other over their respective circulations life begins to assume the rosiest hue It is before the jaundice of this humid depressed fuzzed it to a dull yellow and we felt inclined to sit by and take a little nourishment Says Brer Snyder of the Connellsville Courier to Brer O'Donnell of the Uniontown Herald My circulation is bigger than yours Says Brer O'Donnell to Brer Snyder You're a liar I'll thump to pieces the dirt to pinch my face! Says Brer Snyder to Brer O'Donnell Not afraid but ashamed Away slight man

THE VILLAGE.



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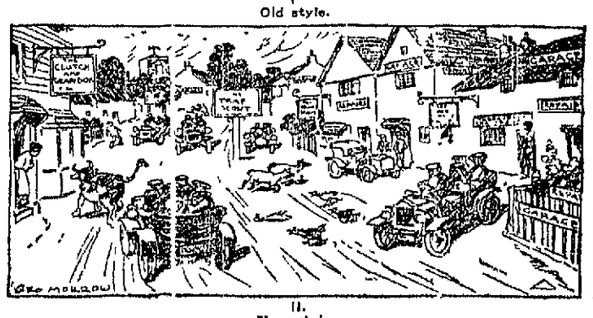

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WEATHER FORECAST.

For Western Pennsylvania—Fair Wednesday Thursday partly cloudy snow along Lake Erie

SHERIFF APPOINTEES

Announced Yesterday Afternoon When Sheriff Johns Was Sworn In.

DECKER REMAINS AS DEPUTY

While All the Other Appointees Are New—Sheriff Johns Increases His Force and Will Have Warden Live in the County Jail.

UNIONTOWN, Jan. 1.—Sheriff P. A. Johns yesterday afternoon received his commission from the State Department at Harrisburg and was sworn in at the Register and Recorder's office. Sheriff Johns then announced his appointees, all of whom are new with the exception of his field deputy, S. B. Decker of Connellsville, who has so competently filled the position for Sheriff M. A. Kiefer. He is retained by Sheriff Johns. W. J. Sturgis, as attorney, Frank Harader, turnkey, and Robert Powell, chief clerk, are succeeded by new appointees. Sheriff Johns' appointments are as follows:

Attorney to the Sheriff, Lee Smith, Uniontown.

Chief Clerk, Harry W. Byrne, Everson.

Field Deputy, S. B. Decker, Connellsville.

Jail Warden, John R. Bungard, Saltlick township.

Turnkey, John A. Hebb, North Union township No. 3.

Night Turnkey and Watchman, W. B. Cunningham, Uniontown.

Sheriff Johns and his force will take charge of the Sheriff's office on Monday morning.

Harry W. Byrne, the new chief clerk, is a young man about 25 years old, who has been employed for some time with the Tower Hill-Connellsville Coke Company. He is a son of Republican County Chairman John R. Byrne. Decker, the field deputy, has three years 'experience and is well spoken of for his excellent work during the term of Sheriff Kiefer.

John R. Bungard, a well known resident of Saltlick, will be the first Fayette county jail warden who was not also Sheriff. Bungard is a farmer and is held in high esteem. He will move his family into the warden's residence in the jail the first of the next week. Sheriff Johns will not move his family into the jail residence.

John A. Hebb, the new turnkey, has been a coke worker for many years and is the inventor of a coke drawing machine. Cunningham, who is to be night turnkey and watchman, another new position created by Sheriff Johns, has been a carpenter at Oliver. He was a soldier during the Spanish war and his appointment is accepted as an excellent one.

THOMAS NAMED

By the County Commissioners for Another Term as Mercantile Appraiser of Fayette Co.

The County Commissioners have reelected E. Jackson Thomas of Uniontown Mercantile Appraiser for the ensuing year. There was a big field of candidates, but the selection narrowed down during the past few days between Thomas and Ash F. Williams, who recently ceased to be clerk to the Commissioners. Mr. Thomas received two votes on the first ballot, those of Commissioner M. E. Townsend and John S. Graham. A. J. Slentz was opposed to Mr. Thomas.

It is required under the law that this appointment be made by the Commissioners every year in December. The taking of definite action was postponed until the last minute.

Mr. Thomas was formerly a member of the Republican County Committee from Henry Clay township. He now lives on Connellsville street, Uniontown.

NEW LAWS.

Come With Rhode Island Legislature Just Assembled.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The General Assembly of Rhode Island convened in annual session today and was opened with the usual ceremonies. The most important work of the session will have to do with the report of the special commission created by the last General Assembly to consider the revision of the laws of the State relative to banks, institutions of savings and trust companies.

The report of the Commission will recommend the passage of a complete and comprehensive banking law that will embody the best and most approved features of the banking laws of other States.

To Cheapen Coal in Germany.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—A special reduction in freight rates on imported coal was put into effect today by the Prussian railroads. The reduction is to last for two years. The purpose is to counteract the present high prices of local coal, which are the highest on record in many years.

Ban on Cigarettes in Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—A stringent anti-cigarette law went into effect in Arkansas today. It prohibits the sale or giving away of cigarettes and cigarette papers and provides a penalty for any one having cigarettes or papers in their possession.

10c matinee daily at The Soisson.

CHILD LABOR

Is Prohibited Now in Alabama Under Twelve Years.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The cotton mills of Alabama have arranged to put into effect today the new anti-child labor law passed by the last Legislature of this State. The new law prohibits the employment of children under 12 years of age, and limits the work of children between 12 and 14 years to 60 hours per week.

The enforcement of the law will cut down the operating hours of some of the departments in some of the mills six hours per week. The mill and factory owners, as a rule, are well satisfied with the new law and believe it will work for the general welfare of all concerned.

THE GYPSY GIRL

Will Be Rosabele Leslie Company Play at the New Soisson Theatre This Evening.

"The Gypsy Girl" will be produced by the Rosabele Leslie Stock Company at the Soisson Theatre tonight. Miss Leslie and her company of players are giving good performances and are greeted by enthusiastic audiences. The plays are well staged with appropriate scenery and costumes. A good amateur contest is to be given Friday night, in which the local talent will participate. Three cash prizes will be given. Matinees are being given daily and are well patronized. This is the first time this has successfully been accomplished in a Connellsville theatre and speaks well for the merit of the company. The engagement closes Saturday night.

The Girl From Broadway.

"The Girl From Broadway," O'Brien & Mack's most recent musical offering, will be the chief novelty at the New Soisson Wednesday, January 8, this season. The play is described as a musical comedy in its truest sense and is a triumph of pretty tunes, graceful dancing, exquisite settings and costumes, new effects and electrical devices and interpreted by a cast of well known favorites and prize beauty chorus.

The Man on the Box.

It is an old but true saying that "All the world loves a lover." A dramatic offering with a strong romantic love story where scenes are depicted that are true to life is always a source of splendid entertainment for those who visit theatres for this purpose. "The Man on the Box," the comedy drama in which Walter N. Lawrence is presenting James Lee Finney, the distinguished comedian, will be placed on view at the New Soisson Theatre, Monday, January 6.

WATCH MEETING.

And Business Session of the C. E. Society of the Christian Church Held Last Night.

The last business meeting of the C. E. Society of the Christian church for the year 1907 was held last evening at the home of Miss Katherine Bowman on Cedar avenue.

About 24 members and friends were in attendance. All present voted the work of the society for the past year a great success and plans were discussed for the new year.

After a social session of 45 minutes the last of the old year was ushered out with song and prayer. The new year was ushered in with amusements, such as "Leap Year's Hope" and corn popping. After wishing each other a happy and prosperous new year, all departed for their homes.

The officers elected for the new year were: President, David Bennett; Vice President, Katherine Bowman; Secretary, Nell Edwards; Treasurer, Lloyd J. Shaw; Chorister, Florence Cavender; Corresponding Secretary, Harry Norton.

HOTEL CHANGES HANDS

Rush Boys Buy the West End Hostelry at Uniontown for About $25,000.

Springer Todd, the popular Uniontown hotel man, has closed a deal whereby he disposes of the West End Hotel at Uniontown to Frank C. Rush and Arthur Rush. The consideration for the lease and fixtures is in the neighborhood of $25,000. The change will be effective May 1 this year.

Frank C. Rush is well known throughout the county. For some time he has been conducting a general store in Farmington, on the National pike in Wharton township. Arthur Rush has been in business in Uniontown for some time. Springer Todd has been proprietor of the West End Hotel for about three years. His plans for the future have not been announced.

New Army Paymaster General.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Col. Charles H. Whipple, Assistant Paymaster General of the Army, was today promoted to the rank of Brigadier General to succeed Paymaster General Sniffen.

Declared Dividend.

The Citizens' Title & Trust Company of Uniontown yesterday declared a dividend of 3 per cent. on the capital stock and added $25,000 to the surplus, making the surplus $150,000.

10c matinee daily at The Soisson.

'07 IS DOWN AND OUT.

New Champion Springs to Center of Stage and Begins His Performance.

TWO STATES CLIMB THE WAGON

Georgia Prohibition Law Goes Into Effect at Midnight and Fifty Counties in Alabama Follow Suit—New York Celebrates as Usual.

New York, Jan. 1.—With hearts as light as the confetti that swirled, blizzardlike, about the Broadway revel route, New Yorkers tore the last leaf from the calendar of '07 and set their faces toward the new year.

Of all the boisterous New Year's eves there never was one more noisy and hilarious. The word was sent out from Police Commissioner Bingham's office: "Let the crowds have a good time. Suppress rowdyism, but allow them to make noise."

In this way General Bingham recognized the fact that the night before New Year's in the metropolis is primarily for hubbub-making the like of which can be compared only with the racket that ushers in the glorious Fourth. It had been promised that last night's demonstration would be the noisiest ever, and the whole thing came off as advertised. Early in the evening the fun began, ear-splitting horns, cowbells and every other din-producing device that the cult of hucksters has discovered sounding in horrible dissonance and increasing in volume until the midnight climax, when shrieking whistles, peal'g bells and shouts from a million throats marked the passing of the old and the advent of the new.

Last night's celebration cost New Yorkers about three-quarters of a million dollars. Those considered authorities on the subject said that $250,000 was expended in the restaurants and cafes; that the theatres got $100,000 and the musicians, florists, cabmen and waiters the balance of a half-million, while club parties, private entertainments and the thousand and one attractions along Broadway put at least $250,000 in circulation.

During the early evening the crowds were divided between the street parades and the theatres, which were crowded. When the playhouses turned loose their audiences things began to liven up at the hotels and restaurants. In the most fashionable places tables had been engaged weeks in advance and the aggregations of diners rivaled each other in brilliance and spectacular gayety. In most of the places only champagne was served for drink and the minimum charge for eatables was $4 a cover. Delightful music, beautifully gowned women and the clink of glasses at Martin's, Rector's, Murray's, Shanley's and other restaurants gave the approaching year a rosy tint. The dining rooms of the big hotels also held thousands. A fusillade of corks popped at the Knickerbocker, Astor, St. Regis, Imperial, Plaza and Waldorf-Astoria, just as though there had never been a financial stringency.

At Martin's an innovation added spice to the merrymaking. For the first time, and for last night only, women patrons were allowed to smoke in the public dining hall. The scene in the big dining room of the Plaza was an unusual one. In this room at the stroke of 12 Caruso, the opera tenor, sang the chime song from the "Chimes of Normandy." In all of the cafes the diners rose at a minute before midnight and, with glasses poised in the air, shouted good by to the old and a welcome to the new year.

SAID MEAN THINGS

When Spate, the Alleged Title Peddler, Was Released from Jail.

Pittsburg, Jan. 1. — "The Pittsburg people, particularly the women, are the meanest I have ever met. The Bible says, 'Woman was the last thing made.' The Pittsburg brand must have been made on Saturday night. It shows fatigue. If Judas were Eve, he would hang himself to the Pittsburg steel magnate's family tree."

Thus spoke Oscar F. Spate, alias Reginald Spalding, who was to have introduced wealthy Pittsburgers to the English nobility for gold, when he was released from the county jail. He had completed his thirty-day term. Although the police of Montreal want Spate, they failed to send for him, and the local authorities had to release him.

"I intend to go to England this week," said Spate, to help settle the estate of my mother. By her death an estate estimated at $15,000,000 will be divided, one-third of which will go to my brothers and sisters and myself."

HATES WHITE WOMEN

That's Why, Police Say, Robert Perry, Negro, Clubs Them.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 1.—Identified by one of his alleged victims, Robert Perry, a negro, arrested with a three-foot club swung across his back under his overcoat, confessed to one of the numerous assaults on women of which he is suspected—that of last Friday night, when he struck down Marie Carden on one of the city's principal streets. He stoutly denies all the other crimes, but the police say they are confident that he is the assailant of Belle Osborne and Lulu Thiel.

Hatred of white women is said by the police to be the only motive to which they can attribute Perry's assaults. He was married to a white woman, who deserted him. It is believed by the police, they say, that he has brooded over his domestic troubles until it made him demoniacal

A FATAL MISTAKE.

Is Often Made by the Wisest of Connellsville People.

It's a fatal mistake to neglect backache.

Backache is the first symptom of kidney ills.

Serious complications follow.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure them promptly.

Don't delay until too late.

Until it becomes diabetes—Bright's disease.

Read what a Connellsville citizen says:

Harry Dinsmore, New Haven, Pa., says: "I am only too pleased to confirm the statement I made in 1897 concerning the good I received from Doan's Kidney Pills. My kidneys were out of order and in consequence I suffered from a severe pain across my back which was greatly aggravated if I stooped or lifted anything heavy. Doan's Kidney Pills completely eradicated this trouble and helped my kidneys in a general way. On several occasions I have had need of a kidney remedy and Doan's Kidney Pills have never failed to give the same effective relief. I value them very highly."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, Sole Agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. 8

Connellsville Poison Factories

You Will Be Surprised to Learn How Many There Are.

Did you ever feel stupid and dull after eating a hearty dinner?

When food is retained too long in the stomach, because of stomach weakness, the poison factory works overtime, and there is giddiness, confusion of thought, despondency, heartburn, sleeplessness, nervous trouble and other forms of indigestion.

It is high time to look about for quick relief when you have dizzy spells after eating.

The general use of Mi-o-na stomach tablets puts within the reach of every one a reliable and positive cure for all stomach weakness. Mi-o-na quickly cures the worst case of indigestion, and the pain and distress which is often felt after meals will soon disappear, such is the wonderful curative power of this little tablet.

Mi-o-na acts upon entirely different principles from any of the other remedies that have been used in stomach trouble. It is taken before meals, and has a specific strengthening action upon the muscles of the stomach, increasing the flow of indigestive juices and making the stomach get to work and digest easily and naturally the food which is eaten.

A. A. Clarke has seen so many cures made by Mi-o-na that he gives a guarantee with every 50 cent box that the remedy costs nothing unless it cures. Try Mi-o-na on this guarantee of his, as Mr. Clarke takes all the risk and the remedy will not cost a cent unless it cures 11

Will Vote on Cash Tax.

The citizens and taxpayers of South Union township had a petition presented and leave granted to vote on the cash road tax proposition at the February election.

The Fighting Chance.

... By ...
ROBERT W. CHAMBERS.

What is a woman profited if she shall gain wealth and social leadership, even the ermine that decks the queen of the purriest of "smart sets," and lose the desire of her heart? To the decision of this momentous question came the heroine of our present tale of love and fashion and "high finance." How the young woman, graced beyond the ordinary with health and beauty, permitted her inborn desire for wealth and power to swerve her from the path plainly marked out for her by love and natural fitness, is told vividly, graphically and powerfully. Of minor characters, in whom may be discerned the many types that go to make up brilliant, fashionable, so did Society, there is no lack. Not minor, however, but drawn in bold, clear lines, is the man who offered to the girl of his choice all he himself had—a "fighting chance" of life and love and happiness.

CHAPTER ONE

THE speed of the train slackened. A broad tidal river flashed into sight below the trestle, spreading away on either hand through yellowing level meadows. And now, above the roaring undertone of the cars, from far ahead floated back the treble bell notes of the locomotive. There came a grinding vibration of brakes. Slowly, more slowly, the cars glided to a creaking standstill beside a sun scorched platform gay with the bright flutter of sunshades and summer gowns.

"Shotover! Shotover!" rang the farcry along the cars, and an absent-minded young man in the Pullman pocketed the uncut magazine he had been dreaming over and, picking up gun case and valise, followed a line of fellow passengers to the open air, where one by one they were engulfed and lost to view amid the gay confusion on the platform.

The absentminded young man, however, did not seem to know exactly where he was bound for. He stood hesitating, leisurely inspecting the dashing ranks of vehicles—depot wagons, omnibuses and motor cars—already eddying around a dusty gravel drive centered by the conventional railroad flower bed and fountain. The long train moved out through the September sunshine amid clouds of snowy steam.

The young man, gun case in one hand, suit case in the other, looked about him in his good humored, leisurely manner for anybody or any vehicle which might be waiting for him. His amiable inspection presently brought a bustling baggagemaster within range of vision, and he spoke to this official, mentioning his host's name.

"Lookin' for Mr. Ferrall?" repeated the baggagemaster, spinning a trunk dexterously into rank with its fellows. "Jay, one of Mr. Ferrall's men was here just now. There he is over there uncrattin' that there bird dog!"

The young man's eyes followed the direction indicated by the grimy thumb. A red faced groom in familiar livery was kneeling beside a dog's traveling crate attempting to unlock it while behind the bars an excited white setter whined and thrust forth first one silky paw, then the other.

The young man watched the scene for a moment.

"Are you one of Mr. Ferrall's men?" he then asked in his agreeable voice.

The groom looked up, then stood up.

"Yis, sorr."

"Take those. I'm Mr. Siward—for Shotover House. I dare say you have room for me and the dog too."

The groom opened his mouth to speak, but Siward took the crate key from his fingers, knelt and tried the lock. It resisted. From the depths of the crate a beseeching paw fell upon his cuff.

"Certainly, old fellow," he said soothingly. "I know how you feel about it. I know you're in a hurry, and we'll have you out in a second. Steady, boy! Something's jammed, you see. Only one moment now! There you are!"

The dog attempted to bolt as the door opened, but the young man caught him by the leather collar, and the groom snapped on a leash.

"Beg pardon, sorr," began the groom, carried almost off his feet by the frantic circling of the dog—"beg pardon, sorr, but I'll be afther seein' if any of Mr. Ferrall's men drove over for you."

"Oh! Are you not one of Mr. Ferrall's men?"

"Yis, sorr, but I hadn't anny orders to meet anny wan."

"Haven't you anything here to drive me in?"

"Yis, sorr. I'll look to see"—

The raw groom, much embarrassed and keeping his feet with difficulty against the plunging dog, turned toward the gravel drive, where now only a steam motor and a depot wagon remained. As they looked the motor steamed out, honking hoarsely. The depot wagon followed, leaving the circle at the end of the station empty of vehicles.

"Didn't Mr. Ferrall expect me?" asked Siward.

"Aw, yis, sorr, but the gintlemen for Shotover House does ginerally always coom by Black Fells, sorr."

"O Lord!" said the young man. "I remember now. I should have gone on to Black Fells Crossing. Mr. Ferrall wrote me!" Then, amused, "I suppose you have only a baggage wagon here?"

"No, sorr—a phayton," he hesitated.

"Well, isn't a phaeton all right?"

"Yis, sorr, if the yoong lady says so—beg pardon, sorr—Miss Landis is drivin'."

"Oh-h, I see! Is Miss Landis a guest at Shotover House?"

"Yis, sorr, an' if yo would joost ask her—the phayton do be comin' now, sorr!"

The phaeton was coming. The horse, a showy animal, executed side steps. Blue ribbons fluttered from the glittering headstall. A young girl in white was driving.

Siward advanced to the platform's edge as the phaeton drew up. The young lady looked inquiringly at the groom, at the dog and leisurely at him.

So he took off his hat, naming himself in that well bred and agreeable manner characteristic of men of his sort, and even his smile appeared to be part and parcel of a conventional ensemble so harmonious as to remain inconspicuous.

"You should have gone on to Black Fells Crossing," observed Miss Landis, coolly controlling the nervous horse. "Didn't you know it?"

"You should have gone on to Black Fells Crossing."

He said he remembered now that such were the directions given him.

The girl glanced at him incuriously and with more curiosity at the dog. "Is that the Sagamore pup, Flynn?" she asked.

"It is, miss."

"Can't you take him on the rumble with you?" And to Siward, "There is room for your gun and suit case."

"And for me?" he asked, smiling.

"I think so. Be careful of that Sagamore pup, Flynn. Hold him between your knees. Are you ready, Mr. Siward?"

So he climbed in. The groom hoisted the dog to the rumble and sprang up behind. The horse danced and misbehaved, making a spectacle of himself and an agreeable picture of his driver. Then the pretty little phaeton swung northward out of the gravel drive and went whirling along a road all misty with puffs of yellow dust which the afternoon sun turned to floating golden powder.

"Did you send my telegram, Flynn?" she asked without turning her head.

"I did, miss."

It being the most important telegram she had ever sent in all her life, Miss Landis became preoccupied, quite oblivious to extraneous details, including Siward, until the horse began acting badly again. Her slightly disdainful and perfect control of the reins interested the young man. He might have said something civil and conventional about that, but did not make the effort to invade a reserve which appeared to embarrass nobody.

A staccato note from the dog, prolonged infinitely in hysterical crescendo, demanded comment from somebody.

"What is the matter with him, Flynn?" she asked.

Siward said, "You should let him run, Miss Landis."

She nodded, smiling, inattentive, absorbed in her own affairs, still theorizing concerning her telegram. She drove on for awhile and might have forgotten the dog entirely had he not once more lifted his voice in melancholy.

"You say he ought to run for a mile or two? Do you think he'll bolt, Mr. Siward?"

"Is he a new dog?"

"Yes, fresh from the kennels, supposed to be house and wagon broken, steady to shot and wing." She shrugged her pretty shoulders. "You see how he's acting already."

"Do you mind if I try him?" suggested Siward.

"You mean that you are going to let him run?"

"I think so."

"And if he bolts?"

"I'll take my chances."

"Yes, but please consider my chances, Mr. Siward. The dog doesn't belong to me."

"But he ought to run"—

"But suppose he runs away? He's a horridly expensive creature. If you care to take the risk"—

"I'll take the risk," said Siward, smiling, as she drew rein. "Now, Flynn, give me the leash. Quiet! Quiet, puppy! Everything is coming your way. That's the beauty of patience—great thing, patience." He took the leader. The dog sprang from the rumble. "Now, my friend, look at me. No, don't twist and squirm and scramble. Look me square in the eye—so. Now we know each other, and we respect each other, because you are going to be a good puppy and obey. Down charge!"

The dog, trembling with eager comprehension, dropped like a shot, muzzle laid flat between his paws. Siward unleashed him, looked down at him for a second, stooped and caressed the silky head, then, with a laugh, swung himself into the phaeton beside the driver, who, pretty head turned, had been looking on intently.

"Your dog is yard broken," he said. "Look at him."

"I see. Do you think he will follow us?"

"I think so."

The horse started, Miss Landis looking back over her shoulder at the dog, who lay motionless, crouched flat in the road.

Then Siward turned. "Come on, Sagamore!" he said gayly, and the dog sprang forward, circled about the moving phaeton, splitting the air with yelps of ecstasy, then tore ahead, mad with the delight of stretching cramped muscles amid the long rank grass and shrubbery of the roadside.

The girl watched him doubtfully. When he disappeared far away up the road she turned the blue inquiry of her eyes on Siward.

"He'll be back," said the young fellow, laughing, and presently the dog reappeared on a tearing gallop, white flag tossing, glorious in his new liberty, enchanted with the confidence this tall young man had reposed in him—this adorable young man, this wonderful friend who had suddenly appeared to release him from an undeserved and abominable situation in a crate.

"A good dog," said Siward, and the girl looked around at him, partly because his voice was pleasant, partly because a vague memory was beginning to stir within her, coupling something unpleasant with the name of Siward.

She had been conscious of it when he first named himself, but absorbed in the overwhelming importance of her telegram, had left the analysis of the matter for the future.

She thought again of her telegram, theorized a little, came to no conclusion, except to let the matter rest for the present, and mentally turned to the next and far less important problem—the question of this rather attractive young man at her side and why the name of Siward should be linked in her mind with anything disagreeable.

Tentatively following the elusive mental clews that might awaken something definite concerning her hazy impression of the man beside her, she spoke pleasantly, conventionally, touching idly any topic that might have a bearing, and, under a self possession so detached as to give an impression of indifference, eyes, ears and intelligence admitted that he was a creable to look at, pleasant of voice and difficult to reconcile with anything unpleasant.

They discussed shooting and the opening of the season, dogs and the training of dogs and why some go gun shy and why some are blinkers. From sport and its justification they became inconsequential, and she was beginning to enjoy the freshness of their chance acquaintance, his nice attitude toward things, his irrelevancy, his gayety.

Laughter thawed her, for, notwithstanding the fearless confidence she had been taught for men of her own

Sylvia Landis.

kind, self possession and reserve, if not inherent, had also been drilled into her, and she required a great deal in a man before she paid him the tribute of one of her pretty laughs.

Apparently they were advancing rather rapidly.

"Don't you think we ought to call the dog in, Mr. Siward?"

"Yes; he's had enough!"

She drew rein. He sprang out and whistled, and the Sagamore pup, dusty and happy, came romping back. Siward motioned him to the rumble, but the dog leaped to the front.

"I don't mind," said the girl. "Let him sit here between us. And you might occupy yourself by pulling some of those burs from his ears if you will."

"Of course I will. Look up here, puppy! No! Don't try to lick my face, for that is bad manners. Demonstrations are odious, as the poet says."

"It's always bad manners, isn't it?" asked Miss Landis.

"What—being affectionate?"

"Yes, and admitting it."

"I believe it is. Do you hear that, Sagamore? But, never mind; I'll break the rules some day when we're alone."

The dog laid one paw on Siward's knee, looking him wistfully in the eyes.

"More demonstrations," observed the girl. "Mr. Siward, you are hugging him! This amounts to a dual conspiracy in bad manners."

"Awfully glad to admit you to the conspiracy," he said. "There's one vacancy—if you are eligible."

"I am. I was discovered recently kissing my saddle mare."

"That settles it! Sagamore, give the young lady the grip."

Sylvia Landis glanced at the dog, then, impulsively shifting the whip to her left hand, held out the right, and very gravely the Sagamore pup laid one paw in her dainty white gloved palm.

"You darling!" murmured the girl, resuming her whip.

"I noticed," observed Siward, "that you are perfectly qualified for membership in our association for the promotion of bad manners—in fact, I should suggest you for the presidency"—

"I suppose you think all sorts of things because I gushed over that dog."

"Of course I do."

"Well, you need not," she rejoined, delicate nose up tilted. "I never kissed a baby in all my life and never mean to, which is probably more than you can say."

"Yes; it is more than I can say."

"That admission elects you president," she concluded. But after a moment's silent driving she turned partly toward him with mock seriousness: "Is it not horribly unnatural to me to feel that way about babies and about people too? I simply cannot endure demonstrations. As for dogs and horses—well, I've admitted how I behave, and, being so shamelessly affectionate by disposition, why can't I be nice to babies? I've a hazy but dreadful notion that there's something wrong about me, Mr. Siward."

He scrutinized the pretty features anxiously. "I can't see it," he said.

"But I mean it—almost seriously. I don't want to be so aloof, but I don't like to touch other people. It is rather horrid of me, I suppose, to be like those silky, plumy, luxurious Angora cats, who never are civil to you and who always jump out of your arms at the first opportunity."

He laughed, and there was malice in his eyes, but he did not know her well enough to pursue the subject through so easy an opening.

It had occurred to her, too, that her simile might invite elaboration, and she sensed the laugh in his silence and liked him for remaining silent where he might easily have been wittily otherwise.

This set her so much at ease, left her so confident, that they were on terms of gayest understanding presently, she gossiping about the guests at Shotover House, outlining the diversions planned for the two weeks before them.

"But we shall see little of one another. You will be shooting most of the time," she said, with the very faintest hint of challenge—too delicate, too impersonal, to savor of coquetry. But the germ of it was there.

"Do you shoot?"

"Yes. Why?"

"I am reconciled to the shooting, then."

She laughed and started to flick her whip, but at her first motion the horse gave trouble.

"The bit doesn't fit," observed Siward.

"You are perfectly right," she returned, surprised. "I ought to have remembered. It is shameful to drive a horse improperly bitted." And after a moment: "You are considerate toward animals. It is good in a man."

"Oh, it's no merit. When animals are uncomfortable it worries me. It's one sort of selfishness, you see."

"What nonsense!" she said, and her smile was very friendly. "Why doesn't a nice man ever admit he's nice when told so?"

It seems they had advanced that far, for she was beginning to find this young man not only safe, but promising. She had met nobody recently half as amusing, and the outlook at Shotover House had been unpromising with only the overgrateful Page twins to practice on, the other men collectively and individually boring her. And suddenly, welcome as manna from the sky, behold this highly agreeable boy to play with—until Quarrier arrived! Her telegram had been addressed to Mr. Quarrier.

It was, perhaps the reaction of her gayety that recalled to her mind her telegram. The telegram had been her promised answer after she had had time to consider a suggestion made to her by a Mr. Howard Quarrier. The last week at Shotover permitted reflection, and, while her telegram was no complete answer to the suggestion he had made, it contained material of interest in the eight words, "I will consider your request when you arrive."

"I wonder if you know Howard Quarrier," she said.

After a second's hesitation he replied: "Yes, a little. Everybody does."

"You do know him?"

"Only at the club."

"Oh, the Lenox?"

"The Lenox and the Patroons."

Preoccupied, driving with careless, almost inattentive, perfection, she thought idly of her twenty-three years, wondering how life could have passed so quickly, leaving her already stranded on the shoals of an engagement to marry Howard Quarrier. Then her thoughts, errant, wandered half the world over before they returned to Siward, and when at length they did, and meaning to be civil, she spoke again of his acquaintance with Quarrier at the Patroons club, the club itself being sufficient to settle Siward's status in every community.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Found $6,000 In Old Cans.

Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 1.—Relatives of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Means while removing household effects discovered $6,000 concealed in three syrup cans in an unfrequented part of the house.

A BIG YEAR IN STEEL.

Earnings of the United States Corporation Close to $170,000,000.

PROSPECT FOR COMING YEAR

Based Upon the Conditions of 1907 the Big Concern Ought to Make $200,000,000—The Outlook for Demand Now is Not So Good.

Special to The Courier.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The United States Steel Corporation yesterday closed the most prosperous year in its history, not only from the standpoint of earnings, but production as well. Had the prosperity of the Corporation enjoyed, until recently, continued uninterrupted, net earnings would have run close to $170,000,000, but the slowing for November and December will bring the net for the year down to about $162,000,000.

The year gave the Corporation an opportunity to demonstrate what it is capable of doing in the matter of earnings, the large increase being due largely to the vast amount of money put into new construction and in other ways spent for the purpose of increasing operating efficiency. Based upon prices which have prevailed for steel over the last 12 months, the earning capacity of the Corporation at the time of organization was not much in excess of $125,000,000 a year. This year's operations show an increase in earning power since organization of apparently $45,000,000. When the Gary and Duluth plants are in operation, the Steel Corporation will be in a position to earn $200,000,000 a year, based upon conditions similar to those which prevailed in 1907. When these facts are taken into consideration, an explanation for the strength of the Steel shares during the recent period of stock market demoralization is hardly necessary.

The argument has been advanced that the large increase in the earnings of the Steel Corporation over the last 12 months has been due largely to increases in the prices of steel. But such does not appear to be the case. A comparison of present finished steel prices with the quotations that prevailed a year ago shows only moderate increases. Increased production and higher operating efficiency have had more to do with the Steel Corporation's record showing than anything else.

The Corporation starts 1908 under conditions not the most favorable from the standpoint of demand, but an improvement is looked for long before the warm weather sets in. One steel man, who has heretofore been correct in forecasting steel earnings, says the net in 1908 will not fall far short of $100,000,000. If such is the case, then the Corporation will close the year with a surplus of approximately $30,000,000 after the payment of regular preferred and common dividends. The Corporation's surplus at the close of 1907 will run close to $110,000,000, of which amount more than $75,0000,000 is cash. The earnings of the Steel Corporation through other sources than "steel sold" have been larger this year than ever before. Income from "other sources" includes interest on money loaned on collateral and in bank, transportation and railroad properties, cement sales, contract work, sales of iron ore, etc. The Steel Corporation will this year sell approximately 11,500,000 tons of semi-finished and finished products.

Within the last few months more than a half dozen small steel concerns have gone into the hands of receivers, including the Southern Steel Company, Sheffield Coal & Iron Company, Reliance Steel Foundry Company, National Wire Corporation and New York Steel Company. Practically all of the companies that have gone into receivers' hands are small and undeveloped concerns, in poor shape, financially and physically. It appears that receiverships for steel companies are about at an end. The large and important steel concerns are all strong from the standpoint of finance and have shown a marked improvement physically over the last several years.

DIVORCE IN NEW JERSEY.

New Law Goes Into Effect in the Mosquito State.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The new divorce law recommended by the Uniform Divorce Law Commission and passed by the recent session of the New Jersey Legislature, goes into effect today. The new law does not change the statutory grounds for divorce in New Jersey, but it does make one very radical condition. This is the provision to the effect that if a person sues for divorce in New Jersey on grounds furnished in another State, the decree will be refused if the offense is not recognized in the other State as sufficient for divorce.

For instance, a South Carolinian will not be able to obtain a divorce in New Jersey on any ground whatever, the offense taking place in South Carolina, because no divorce is permitted in that State.

No Half Rates for Preachers.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Beginning today, clergymen who have been traveling on half rates on all Western railroads will be compelled to pay full fare.

TRI-STATE NEWS.

Events of the Day in Brief from Pennsylvania, Ohio and W. Va.

Cleveland, Jan. 1.—Fire in the lumber yards of the Fisher & Wilson company, located in the "flats," was extinguished with an estimated loss of $100,000.

Tiffin, O., Jan. 1.—Charles Noller, age eleven, playing with a flobert rifle, accidentally shot himself through the heart, dying instantly. The gun was a Christmas gift.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—John Dema, a saloonkeeper, who shot and killed John Heilrigle, was discharged from custody, the evidence tending to show that the act was justifiable.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 1.—A second-story man unsacked the residence of T. F. Jones, coal operator, while the family was at dinner and made off with $2,000 worth of jewelry.

Lebanon, Pa., Jan. 1.—The management of the Lebanon Valley Iron company has posted notices at its extensive plant announcing a resumption of work in all departments on Monday.

Cincinnati, Jan. 1.—Receivers have been appointed for the Wiborg-Hauna Lumber company, one of the largest lumber firms in Cincinnati. The assets are $375,000 and the liabilities $250,000.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 1.—The Robesonia Iron company, near here, has posted a notice of a reduction of wages ranging from 5 to 8 per cent, taking effect today. The order will affect about 300 men.

Gallipolis, O., Jan. 1.—The Glenwood (W. Va.) ferryboat was sunk in a collision with the steamer Carrie Brown near here. The passengers and crew of the ferryboat were rescued by the steamer's crew.

Dayton, O., Jan. 1.—Frightened into a collapse by a few shrill whistles from a traction car that was approaching, Mrs. Mary Chitten, wife of John Chitten, was run down and sustained injuries of which she died.

Marion, O., Jan. 1.—Her reason dethroned by grief over the death of her husband, Mrs. Charles A. Hoskins, age forty-two, was taken to the state hospital for the insane at Toledo. Mrs. Hoskins imagines she is now living in the spirit life.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 1.—A quantity of dynamite, which boys had stored in the basement of the Siegersville Union church, with which to celebrate the advent of the new year, exploded. The walls were blown out and the structure set on fire and burned.

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—Anzela Bonay, one of the old-school actresses, is dead at the Edwin Forrest home in this city, age seventy-four. She was a daughter of John Sexton, American playwright and theatrical manager, and played with many of the foremost actors of her day.

Massillon, O., Jan. 1.—Two miners, George Roberts and his son George, were killed in Crow's Nest coal mine, near East Greenville, and three others were imprisoned by a fall of slate. Rescuing parties after two hours' work succeeded in reaching the entombed men and brought them out.

Bradford, Pa., Jan. 1.—Zabin Wright, age twenty-three, of Quaker Bridge, was found dead in his barn by his father-in-law, W. Morrison, a prominent oil man of Sugar Run. Young Wright had taken carbolic acid. He was the fourth of a family of five to die a violent death during last year.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 1. — Daniel S. Emerich, a barber of this city, who lathers and scrapes the cheeks of his customers from early Monday morning until late Saturday night, has found time enough on Sundays to become the greatest collector of butterflies and birds' eggs in Berks county.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 1.—Coroner Hodson ordered an inquest on the death of Thomas Long, a breaker boy at Wanamie, who was killed in the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal company colliery. It is alleged that the boy was only ten years old and that his employment was in violation of the law.

Franklin, Pa., Jan. 1.—After having received a sentence of death, James Grall, wife murderer, joked as he was being taken to jail. "I never flinched, I'd I, sheriff," he said. "Anyway, I'd rather be hanged than drowned." After being placed in his cell he began singing "In the Good Old Summertime."

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 1.—Orders have been posted by the Pennsylvania Railroad company announcing the permanent abandonment of the Marysville yards and the closing of the yards at Hollidaysburg. All the freight for the Philadelphia, Middle and Baltimore and Susquehanna divisions will hereafter be handled at Enola.

Bellefontaine, O., Jan. 1.—By being whirled around about 500 times in a flywheel, which was running at high speed, U. S. Fry of Big Springs lost his life at his grist mill. He was putting a belt into position when his clothing caught in the wheel and he was whirled through space, his body striking the floor with awful force at each revolution.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—Zeb Caine, serving a six-year term in the penitentiary for manslaughter, although a cripple, will have to mount the water wagon for the remainder of his days, according to the provision of a pardon granted by Governor Harris. Caine killed an employe who had threatened his life, and both were intoxicated when the crime was committed.

Bishop Andrews Dead.

New York, Jan. 1.—Bishop Edward G. Andrews of the New York East conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, died at his home in Brooklyn as a result of grip, contracted on a recent lecture tour.

STILL NO SOLUTION.

Strange Mystery of Hackensack Meadow Murder Further Complicated.

MRS. YOUNG DENIES SHE'S DEAD

Mrs. Hull, Who Made the Identification, Confesses That She Had Told Untruth, Then Asserts That Body is That of Her Sister.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 1.—The identity of the woman whose dead body was found in Harrison, N. J., last Thursday remains a mystery. The story told by Mrs. Hattie Hull that the dead woman was her friend, Mrs. Agnes Young, was expected when Mrs. Young was found alive and well in New York city. She is employed as an accountant in a real estate office in New York and declared emphatically that she had not been in New Jersey on Christmas day and that she did not know anyone named Charles Myers, for whom the police were searching as a result of Mrs. Hull's statements. Mrs. Young obtained first knowledge of the fact that her name had been connected with the murder mystery from newspapers while on her way to the office where she is employed. On reaching the office she consulted with her employer and expressed indignation that her name had been drawn into the affair by Mrs. Hull.

When Mrs. Hull was told that Mrs. Young had been found alive she declared that the murdered woman was her own half-sister, Minnie Jeannette Gaston, daughter of R. B. Gaston of Sorvilla, Tenn. She said that Miss Gaston was formerly a member of the chorus of the Texas Steer company and had been living lately at 1492 Amsterdam avenue, New York city. Mrs. Hull declared that Charles Myers brought her sister to New York from the south and that she accompanied the latter to a meeting with Myers Christmas day, when Miss Gaston was to go to Harrison with Myers. Mrs. Hull said she identified the body as that of Mrs. Young in order to avoid involving Miss Gaston's name in a scandal. She asked that the body be sent to Mr. Gaston at Sorvilla.

The police magistrate lectured Mrs. Hull for her deception and ordered a detective to escort her out of New Jersey.

BUSY SPRING AHEAD

Indications Point to Resumption in Building Trades.

Cleveland, Jan. 1.—Prospect of a busy spring and a resumption of activity in the building trades is indicated by the advance reports that have reached the officers of the Amalgamated Windowglass Workers of America. These reports are from all sections of the country. Secretary Tarr stated that New York windowglass jobbers have indicated to him that inquiry in the glass trade during the present week has been greater than for two months and that prospects for a rushing business in the spring are flattering.

Three more glass factories have opened up during the present week, employing more than 600 men. They are at Kane and Wilcox, Pa., and at Clarksburg, W. Va. Mr. Tarr also stated that the strike difficulties with the manufacturers were being gradually adjusted and that the new scale was being signed quite generally. Plant after plant, he said, is added to the list every week.

Joliet, Ill., Jan. 1.—After being shut down since Dec. 23, the Joliet plant of the Illinois Steel company will resume operation tomorrow in practically all departments. About 1,500 men will be called back to work and the prospects are good for a steady run. The Rockdale plant of the American Steel and Wire company, closed since last Saturday night, will also resume.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 1.—The Manton, Riverside, Valley, National and Providence mills of the American Woolen company, employing 10,000 operatives, which have been closed for several days, have resumed work. The Gorham Manufacturing company, silverware, is running forty hours a week after a shutdown. This concern employs 3,500 persons.

ALABAMA SWEARS OFF

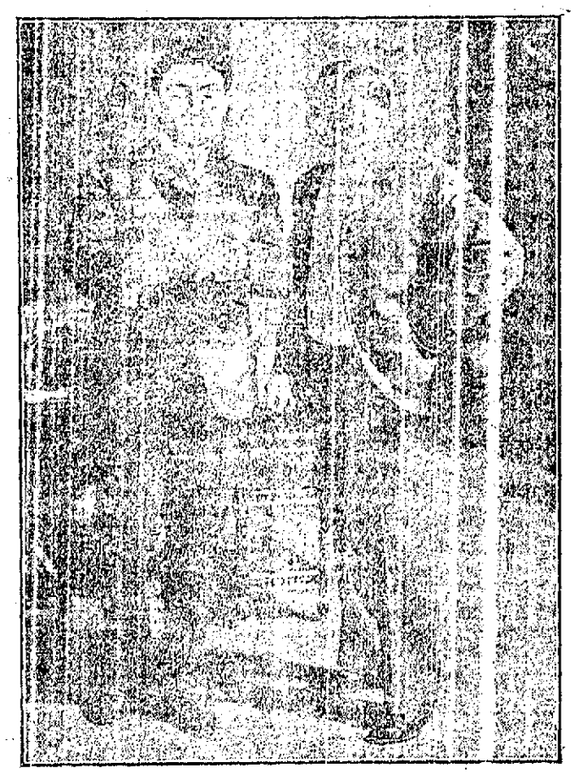
Saloons in Fifty Counties Close When Old Year Passes.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 1.—All the saloons in fifty counties of Alabama closed their doors permanently at midnight, the time set for prohibition to go into effect in those counties in which local option elections have been held during the year. This leaves seventeen counties in the state in which liquor may be sold for another year. One year from today prohibition will become effective over the entire state by statutory act.

Jefferson county, in which Birmingham is located, is by far the largest county in the state and in Birmingham alone 120 saloons went out of business at midnight. A remarkable feature of the last day under the liquor regime is the fact that there was less drunkenness than for many months.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1. — Upon the stroke of midnight the prohibition law went into effect in Georgia and every place where liquor has been dispensed closed its doors.

A bill was filed in the United States circuit court last night asking that the prohibition law be declared unconstitutional. Judge Newman has taken the matter under consideration. The action is in behalf of the Christian Moerlein Brewing company.



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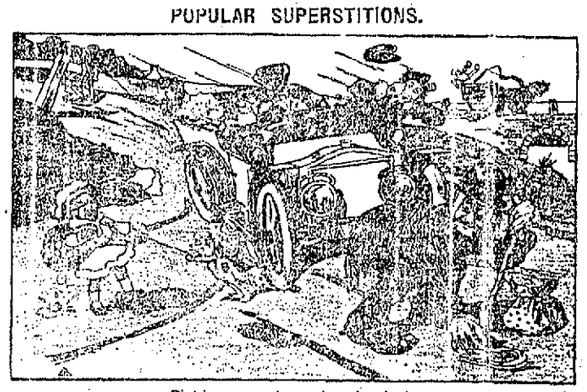

Picking up a horseshoe for luck.

We've Hammered Down Prices Lower Than Ever Before.

You can save a big piece of every dollar

THIS has been a season that will go down into the history of finance as the most remarkable in years. It has had a wonderful effect in the world of merchandising as well, and merchants the country over are effected by it. Our January stocks are far above normal and we are forced to the radical measures we are taking that quick disposition may be made of this surplus. Every feature of this sale favors the buyer. The broadest selection of merchandise ever offered in January at the lowest prices ever quoted. The wonderful buying advantages of the Wright-Metzler Co. with their two large stores is more than ever evidenced by the bargain giving power demonstrated in this sale. You have the added advantage of selecting from the biggest stocks in Fayette County.

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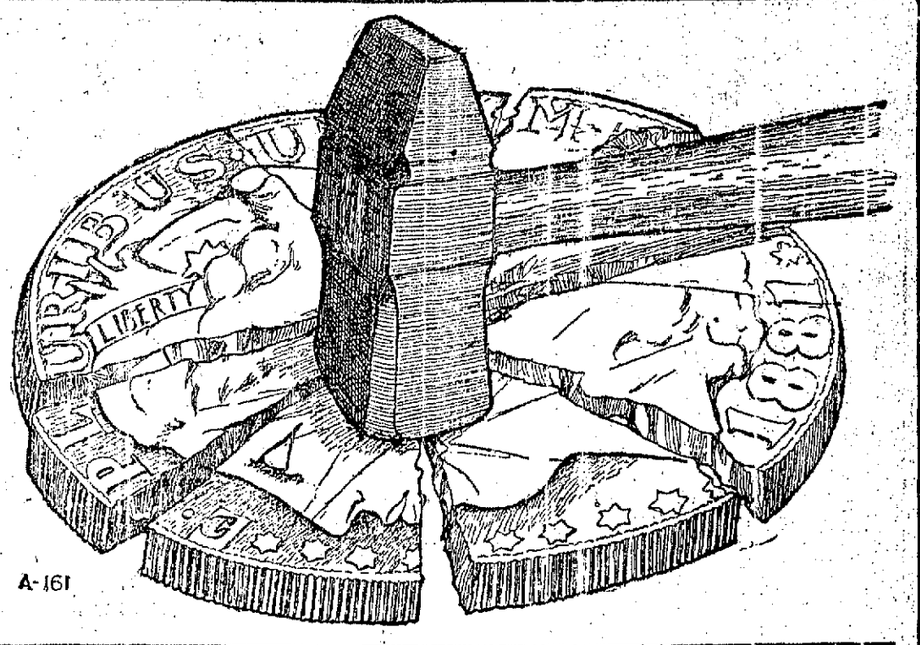

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All Clothing Regularly Priced from $20.00 to $25.00 at $15, and from $12.00 to $17.50 at $10.00

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Tailored Suits for Women.

$40.00 SUITS, $45.00 SUITS, $50.00 SUITS — **At $29.75**

$32.00 SUITS, $35.00 SUITS, $37.50 SUITS — **At $19.75**

$25.00 SUITS, $27.50 SUITS, $30.00 SUITS — **At $15.95**

Every tailored suit in the house is included and will be sold under these prices. The collection includes long fitted and semi-fitted suits and short jacket suits in various stylish fabrics. We have not a suit in our entire stock but that was bought this year. Every suit absolutely stylish and of the high standard that we require. These prices should bring about a complete clearance within the next ten days.

Coats

Fitted, semi-fitted and loose models at *Half Price*; all of this year's designs.

$8.50 Coats at	$4.25
$10.00 Coats at	$5.00
$15.00 Coats at	$7.50
$20.00 Coats at	$10.00
$25.00 Coats at	$12.50
$30.00 Coats at	$15.00
$35.00 Coats at	$17.50
$40.00 Coats at	$20.00
$50.00 Coats at	$25.00

Skirts

Of black, blue or brown Panama and black voile.

$5.00 Skirts at	$3.75
$7.50 Skirts at	$3.95
$8.50 Skirts at	$3.95
$10.00 Skirts at	$6.95
$12.00 Skirts at	$7.95
$12.50 Skirts at	$9.95
$15.00 Skirts at	$10.95
$18.00 Skirts at	$12.75
$20.00 Skirts at	$14.95
$25.00 Skirts at	$18.75

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Not a waist in the entire store reserved.

Lingerie Waists

$1.25 Waists at	75c
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$7.50 and $8.50 Waists at	$5.50
$12 and $13.50 Waists at	$8.75
$15 to $20 Waists at	$10.50

ALL SUITS AND OVERCOATS THAT WERE SOLD AT $20.00, $22.50 AND $25.00, NOW $15.00. **$15**

$10 ALL SUITS AND OVERCOATS FORMERLY PRICED AT $15.00, $16.50 AND $17.50, NOW $10.00.

Every suit and overcoat in the store is included at these two prices, not one single suit reserved. Single and double breasted models in black, blue and fancy mixed fabrics. No need to enlarge on the superior grade of W.M. Clothing. We positively guarantee every suit and overcoat to be of the newest and most approved fashion. Think what these prices mean to you.

Young Men's Stylish Suits

$ 7.50 SUITS, $ 8.00 SUITS, $10.00 SUITS — **At $6.75**

$12.00 SUITS, $15.00 SUITS, $17.50 SUITS — **At $10.00**

These range in ages from 15 to 20 years and are cut on the same swagger lines that characterize our clothing for men. Grouped under these two little prices they form the best clothing values we have ever offered.

Boys' Knee Pants Suits at Lessened Prices.

Including Norfolk and Bloomer trousers, Sailor, Russian blouse and eton suits, ages 2½ to 17 years.

$9.00, $10.00 AND $12.00 SUITS AT	$6.95
$7.50, $8.00 AND $8.50 SUITS AT	$5.25
$6.00, $6.50 AND $7.00 SUITS AT	$4.50
$4.00 AND $5.00 SUITS AT	$3.65
$3.00 AND $3.50 SUITS AT	$2.15
$2.50 SUITS AT	$1.95

WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY

Final Clearance Prices on Our

Fine Collection of Millinery.

We aim to keep our Millinery Department full of brand new hats in ample number right up to Christmas and then price them without reference to cost and with but one object in view immediate clearance. Compare these prices with those of seasons past and you'll find that never in our history have we offered such striking inducements in the way of Millinery pricings. Every remaining hat is included below:

Trimmed Hats that were $3.50 to $5.00, now on sale at $1.49. The trimming alone being worth more than this price. **1.49**

Trimmed Hats that were $5.00 to $7.50, prettily trimmed with wings, feathers, ribbons, etc., at $2.48 **2.48**

Trimmed Hats that were $8.00 to $10.00, in exclusive models, handsomely trimmed and ridiculously low in price, at **3.95**

Trimmed Hats that were $10.50 to $12.00; only a few of these hats and they'll soon go at this price **4.95**

Trimmed Hats that were $15.00 to $18.00; some of our prettiest hats are included in this group, beautifully trimmed, all our own work. **6.95**

Trimmed Hats that were $20.00 to $30.00. These are our very best remaining hats this is sufficient to enlighten you as to what they are. **10.95**

We're Going to Sell 2000 Pairs of Shoes this Month

There is no chance of securing a poor pair of shoes in this sale. We stand behind every pair we sell you and even though the prices are in most instances reduced below the intrinsic value of the shoes. We guarantee every pair we sell you. We have the biggest shoe stocks in Fayette county and we carry none but the very best shoes shoes made, so those little prices mean even more than they imply.

MEN'S SHOES.

All Hanan $5.00 Shoes at $4.00
1 Lot $4.00 Crawford Shoes at ..$2.95
1 Lot of $3.50 and $4.00 Douglas, $2.45
1 Lot $3.00 Shoes at $1.95
1 Lot Men's High Top $5.00 and $7.00 Shoes at $4.00

WOMEN'S SHOES.

1 Lot Women's $4.00 Shoes at ..$2.85
1 Lot Women's $3.50 Shoes at ..$2.45
1 Lot Women's $2.00 Shoes at ..$1.45
1 Lot Women's Evening Slippers, worth $3 and $4, at $1.95

CHILDREN'S SHOES.

BOYS' Sizes	GIRLS' Sizes
2½ to 5½, $1.45	11½ to 2, $1.35
13 to 2, $1.25	8½ to 11, $1.00
9 to 12½, 95c	5 to 8, 85c

FOX FURS AT HALF PRICE

ALL OTHERS AT ¼ OFF THEIR REGULAR PRICES.

Raincoats

Satin and rubberized.

$15.00 kinds at	$9.75
$25.00 kinds at	$14.85
$32.50 kinds at	$19.75
$35.00 kinds at	$25.00

Cravenetted.

$10.00 kinds at	$7.50
$12.00 kinds at	$8.50
$13.50 kinds at	$9.95
$15.00 kinds at	$10.00
$18.00 kinds at	$12.75
$20.00 kinds at	$14.95

Silk Petticoats

Black or colored taffeta, in various designs.

$6.00 and $6.50 kinds at ..$4.75
$8.00 and $8.50 kinds at ..$5.75
$9.00 and $10.00 kinds at ..$7.75
$12.00 kinds at $9.50

These are of a fine quality of taffeta, heavy rustling silk that denote the tastes of the wearers.

Walsts

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Lace Waists.

$5.00 kinds at	$3.75
$6.00 and $6.50 kinds at	$4.50
$8.00 and $8.50 kinds at	$5.50
$10 and $12 kinds at	$7.75
$13.50 and 15 kinds at	$9.50
$18 kinds at	$11.75

Silk Waists.

$5.00 kinds at	$3.75
$6.50 kinds at	$4.50
$7.50 and $8.00 kinds at	$5.50

Prices That Will Fill Our Basement With Crowds of Eager Buyers.

10c Decorated Plates 5c
$1 Wash Bowls and Pitchers 69c
5c Soup Plates 3c
Decorated China Cups and Soucers, worth $3 a dozen, at $1.50.
China Bullion Cups and Saucers, worth $3.50 dozen, at $2.75
15c China Plates 8c
25c Fruit Plates 15c
35c Fruit Plates 19c
$2.00 Fancy Bowls $1.00

DINNER WARE.

100 Piece Set, Worth $15 at $10.98

Cut Glass Tumblers, worth $3.50 a dozen, at $2.50.

CARPET SWEEPERS

$3.00 kinds at $2.25
$2.50 kinds at $1.75

TIN WASH BOILERS

No. 8 Size, worth 70c, at 49c
No. 9 Size, worth 80c, at 59c

COPPER WASH BOILERS

No. 8 Size, worth $3.25, at $2.25
No. 9 Size, worth $3.50, at $2.50

Enameled Kettles.

4 quart Kettles, worth 45c at 30c
6 quart Kettles, worth 50c at 35c
8 quart Kettles, worth 75c at 25c

LISK'S ANTI-RUST BREAD RAISERS.

$1.50 kind at $1.00
$1.25 kind at 75c
10c Flour Sifters
40c Dinner Pails 25c
35c Dinner Pails 20c

Granite Preserving Kettles

6 quart size, worth 60c, at 39c
4 quart size, worth 35c, at 23c
2 quart Pots, worth 30c, at 19c

WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY

Dress Goods, Silks, Linens, Domestics, Etc.,

at the Lowest Prices We Ever Quoted.

SWISS CURTAINS

Lace, Net Swiss Curtins, 1 to 3 pairs of a kind, $1.00 to $8 values, at HALF PRICE.

DOMESTICS

25c plaid and check ginghams, 30 to 32 inches in width, 19c
50c ginghams and colored madras, 38c
25c Madras, white and colored grounds, 32 inches wide 17c
10c Flannelettes, 27 inches wide, 7½c
12½c Flannelettes, 28 inches wide, 9½c
12½c Silkalines, 36 inch, 9c
15c Curtain Swisses, dots and figures, 11c
25c White Wool Flannel 19c
35c White Wool Flannel 25c
14c Bleached Muslin 10c
10c Bleached Muslin 8c
8c Unbleached Muslin 6c
12c Bleached Linen Toweling at 8½c
10c Bleached and unbleached Linen Toweling 7½c
Bleached Sheets 43c each
Unbleached Outing Flannel 5c
10 Unbleached Outing Flannel 7c the yard
Dark Outing Flannel 5c

HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR

$3.00 Wool Union Suits $2.25
$2.00 Wool Union Suits $1.50
$1.50 Underwear, union suits and separate garments, $1.13
$1.00 Underwear, union suits and separate garments, 75c
Ladies' 35c Peeler Underwear, fleeced, 19c
¼ off on all Children's Underwear.
25c Children's Hose, fine and heavy ribbed cotton hose, 19c
25c Children's Hose, wool and fleece lined, 19c
¼ off on Ladies' Silk and Lisle Hose, 50c to $1 regular price.
Embroidered and plain, 38c to $3.00 reduced price.

GLOVES

Ladies' 50c Cashmere and Golf Gloves 37½c
One lot of Arabian Mocha Gloves, black and tan, $1.25 quality, 69c, broken sizes.

BELTS AND NECKWEAR

Ladies' 50c Leather and Silk Belts, black, tan, blue and brown, 38c
Choice of any 25c Neckwear at 18c

DRESS GOODS

$1.00 Broadcloth, brown, red, green and black, 52 inches wide, 75c yard
$1.00 Panama, navy, brown, tan, green, black, red and green, 46 inches wide, 70c yard.
Wm. F. Reed's $1.25 Landsdowne, all staple and evening shades, 41 inches wide, 95c a yard, also checks.
$1.00 Novelty Dress Goods 68c
$1.25 Novelty Dress Goods 78c
$1.50 Novelty Dress Goods 98c
$2.00 Novelty Dress Goods $1.23
50c Novelty Dress Goods 33c

WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY

Bargains That Men Will Be Quick to Buy.

UNDERWEAR VALUES.

$2.50 silk and wool garments at $1.59
$2 ribbed wool garments at $1.39
$2.50 silk and lisle garments at $1.59
$1.75 wool garments $1.29
$4.00 silk and wool garments at $2.95
$3.00 Union Suits $1.95
$1.00 Union Suits 85
$1.50 Union Suits $1.10
50c Underwear 35c
Fleece lined underwear 29c
$1.75 Underwear at $1.25

COLORED STIFF BOSOM SHIRTS.

50c kinds at 25c
$1.00 and $1.50 kinds at 59c
Boys' Shirts at 25c
⅓ off Men's Heavy Caps.
50c Men's wool Gloves 35c
50c Toques 35c
One lot of Men's Underwear in broken sizes, worth from 50c to $2.00 at HALF PRICE.

ONE LOT OF NECKWEAR

$1.00 to $2.50 at 45c
25c Wool Hose 19c
All Fancy Cotton Hose, 25c
All Fancy Lisle Hose, 50c value, at 3 for $1.00
All Fancy 15c Hose, 3 for 25c
1 Lot Negligee Shirts $1.00 values, at 59c
1 Lot Boys' Union Suits, $1.00 value, at 89c
1 Lot Boys' Union Suits, 50c value, at 38c
1 Lot Wool Underwear, 75c value, 49c a garment.
1 Lot Boys' Ribbed Underwear, 50c value, 35c a garment.

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